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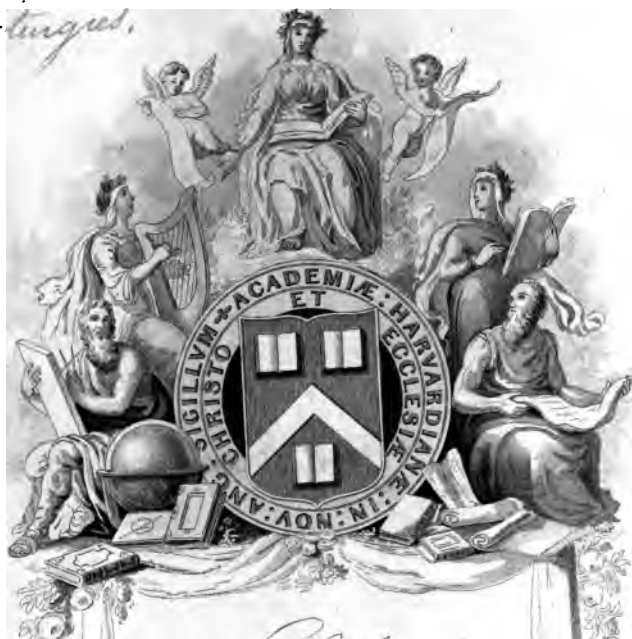
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PREFACE TO THE FOURTH EDITION.

THE present edition of the Chapel Liturgy is intended to supply a want, which has been long felt and often expressed, for a book which should serve as a Manual of both Public and Domestic Worship. I cherish the hope that this intention will be found to have been in some good measure fulfilled.

As a Manual of Public Worship, this edition strictly follows the last. Though it contains a few alterations and additions, they are not such as to prevent its being used in all the services of the sanctuary, with that which preceded it. The alterations and additions which have been admitted are the following.

One prayer has been added to the Occasional Prayers and Thanksgivings. The Gospels and Epistles have not been printed at length, but only referred to. As these are read by the minister alone, it is not necessary that the congregation should have them before their eyes; and the omission of them has made room for the introduction of much matter at the end of the volume,

without swelling it to an inconvenient size. Some Selections have been given from the Saints' Days, which are observed in the English Church. To this I was influenced more by the excellence of the Collects of the days selected, than by any other consideration. It may be observed, too, that all the Saints' Days of the English Church, were retained in the first edition of the Chapel Liturgy. One or two inconsiderable alterations have been made in the Collects and Prayers before and after Sermon. Brief Meditations and Prayers, for private use, before and after Communing, are now for the first time introduced. A Prayer is added in the Office of Visitation of the Sick; as is also one in the Burial Service. A short Collect is introduced among the Prayers to be used at Sea. In all other particulars, this edition, in the public portion, is printed word for word from the third.

It is in the latter portion, which is devoted chiefly to Domestic Worship, that the difference between the two editions is most perceptible. To say nothing of minor additions, four Services for Morning and Evening Prayer have been prepared for this edition, together with a collection of nearly one hundred Hymns for domestic and private use.

The Services were constructed for the express purpose of bringing a whole family to join with their voices in daily praise and prayer, just as a whole congregation are permitted, in our form, to join in church

worship. I am persuaded that an interest may be imparted in this manner to family devotion, which it too often needs, and that even quite young children may have their attention fixed, and their serious regards attracted, who otherwise would be listless, and perhaps troublesome. The Prayers in these Services, together with the Petitions and Thanksgivings which accompany them, are from various sources. Some are abridged from printed prayers, and some are, wholly or in part, my own composition.

The Hymns, which close the book, will, I hope, approve themselves to the lovers of devotional poetry, and contribute to make the volume acceptable and useful. Some of them are not of a strictly domestic, or strictly private character, and might be used in the church, as well as in the dwelling-house. The greater part of them, however, could not properly be sung in the church, as they are either too private or too didactic. A hymn often becomes a private or domestic one, by expressing certain states of the mind and heart in a highly impassioned manner, a manner which may be to an individual or a small assembly delightful, inspiring, and affecting, but which would be felt to be out of place in a large and miscellaneous congregation. A hymn may be also too descriptive, or, if I may so speak, too poetical, that is, too much adorned with the usual figures and turns of expression of common poetry, to be employed fitly in the public worship of

God, and yet not too much so for private or domestic use. It is more difficult to point out the distinguishing marks of such hymns, than to perceive them when exhibited in the hymns themselves.

It is my desire, as I have before intimated, that this volume may be found worthy to become a Manual of Devotion ; to be taken by the worshipper to church, and back to his house again ; to go with the traveller on his journey, and the sailor on the sea ; and it is my prayer that it may everywhere be accompanied by the gracious blessing of God.

F. W. P. G.

Boston, Nov. 1, 1831.

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PROPER LESSONS

TO BE READ FROM THE OLD TESTAMENT,
AT MORNING AND EVENING PRAYER, ON THE SUNDAYS
AND OTHER HOLY-DAYS THROUGHOUT THE YEAR.

	MORNING.	EVENING.		MORNING.	EVENING.
<i>Sundays of Advent.</i>					
1	Isaiah 1	Isaiah 2	2	13	14
2	5	24	3	Joel 3 v. 9	Amos 5
3	25	26 or 28	4	Mic. 4 or 5	Nahum 1
4	30	32	5	Zeph. 3	Zech. 1 or 2
CHRISTMAS DAY.	9 to v. 8	7 v. 10	<i>Sunday after Ascension.</i>	Zech. 8	10
<i>Sundays after Christmas.</i>		to v. 17	WHITSUNDAY.	Deut. 16	Isaiah 11
1	35	40	<i>Sundays after Whitsunday.</i>	to v. 18	
2	41	42 or 43	1	Gen. 1	Gen. 2
<i>Sundays after the Epiphany.</i>			2	3	6
1	44	45	3	7	8
2	51	52	4	37	40
3	55	56	5	41	42
4	57	59	6	43	44
5	61	62	7	45	47 to v. 12
6	65	66	8	48	50
<i>Septuagesima.</i>	Jerem. 7	Jerem. 10	9	Exod. 3	Exod. 15
<i>Sexagesima.</i>	22	35	10	20 to v. 18	Lev. 26
<i>Quinquagesima.</i>	Lam. 1	Lam. 3	11	Numb. 16	Numb. 20
		v. 22 to v. 37	12	22	23
LENT.			13	24	Deut. 4
ASH WEDNESDAY.	Isaiah 58	Jerem. 36	14	Deut. 5	6
		to v. 11	15	7 or 8	26 to v. 26
<i>First Sunday.</i>	Jerem. 9	17	16	30 or 33	34
2	Ezek. 14	Ezek. 18	17	Josh. 1	Josh. 4
3	20	33	18	23 or 24	1 Sam. 3
4	Dan. 9	Mic 6	19	1 Sam. 8	12
5	Hab. 2 or 3	Hag. 1 or 2	20	16	17
6	Mal. 3	Mal. 4	21	26	2 Sam. 12
GOOD FRIDAY.	Gen. 22 to v. 20	Isaiah 53	22	2 Sam. 18	1 Kings 3
EASTER DAY.	Exod. 12	Dan. 12	23	1 Kings 8	19
<i>Sundays after Easter.</i>				v. 22	
1	Hosea 6	Hosea 11	24	21	2 Kings 5
			25	2 Kings 17	25
			26	Prov. 1 or 2	Prov. 3 or 4
			27	8 or 11	15 or 28

It is not intended that the minister should be confined to the chapters selected in the above table, nor that every chapter should be read through. The minister is at liberty to change the Lesson whenever he thinks proper so to do ; and also to read a portion only of the appointed chapter, if it is not convenient to read the whole.

The appointed Lessons from the New Testament are to be found under the daily Collects. The Gospel is to be read in the morning, and the Epistle in the evening.

Proper Psalms for particular days are to be found by referring to the *Table of Contents*.

MORNING PRAYER.

At the beginning of Morning Prayer, the Minister shall read one or more of the following Sentences of Scripture; and then he shall read the Exhortation.

WHEN the wicked man turneth away from his wickedness which he hath committed, and doeth that which is lawful and right, he shall save his soul alive. *Ezek. xviii. 27.*

I acknowledge my transgressions; and my sin is ever before me. *Psal. li. 3.*

Hide thy face from my sins; and blot out all mine iniquities. *Psal. li. 9.*

The sacrifices of God are a broken spirit; a broken and a contrite heart, O God, thou wilt not despise. *Psal. li. 17.*

Rend your heart, and not your garments, and turn unto the Lord your God; for he is gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and of great kindness, and repenteth him of the evil. *Joel, ii. 13.*

To the Lord our God belong mercies and forgivenesses, though we have rebelled against him; neither have we obeyed the voice of the Lord our God, to walk in his laws which he set before us. *Dan. ix. 9, 10.*

O Lord, correct me, but with judgment; not in thine anger, lest thou bring me to nothing. *Jer. x. 24.*

Repent ye; for the kingdom of heaven is at hand. *Matt. iii. 2.*

I will arise, and go to my Father, and will say unto him, Father, I have sinned against heaven, and before thee, and am no more worthy to be called thy son. *Luke, xv. 18, 19.*

Enter not into judgment with thy servant, O Lord;

for in thy sight shall no man living be justified. *Psal. cxliii. 2.*

If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us; but if we confess our sins, God is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. *1 John, i. 8, 9.*

The hour cometh, and now is, when the true worshippers shall worship the Father in spirit and in truth; for the Father seeketh such to worship him. God is a spirit, and they who worship him, must worship him in spirit and in truth. *John, iv. 23, 24.*

EXHORTATION.

DEARLY beloved brethren, the Scripture moveth us in sundry places to acknowledge and confess our manifold sins and wickedness, and that we should not dissemble nor cloak them before the face of Almighty God our heavenly Father; but confess them with an humble, lowly, penitent, and obedient heart; to the end that we may obtain forgiveness of the same, by his infinite

goodness and mercy. And although we ought, at all times, humbly to acknowledge our sins before God; yet ought we chiefly so to do, when we assemble and meet together, to render thanks for the great benefits that we have received at his hands, to set forth his most worthy praise, to hear his most holy word, and to ask those things which are requisite and necessary, as well for the body as the soul. Wherefore I pray and beseech you, as many as are here present, to accompany me, with a pure heart and humble voice, unto the throne of the heavenly grace, saying after me.

A general Confession to be said by the whole Congregation after the Minister.

ALMIGHTY and most merciful Father, We have erred and strayed from thy ways like lost sheep. We have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts. We have offended against thy holy laws. We have left undone those things which we ought to have done; And we have done those things

which we ought not to have done. But thou, O Lord, have mercy upon us miserable offenders. Spare thou those, O God, who confess their faults. Restore thou those who are penitent, According to thy promises declared unto mankind in Christ Jesus our Lord. And grant, O most merciful Father, That we may hereafter live a godly, righteous and sober life; To the glory of thy holy name. *Amen.*

Then shall the Minister say this Prayer.

O LORD, we beseech thee, mercifully hear our prayers, and spare all those who confess their sins unto thee; that they whose consciences by sin are accused, by thy merciful pardon may be absolved, through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

OUR Father, who art in heaven, Hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come; Thy will be done on earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, As we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into

temptation, But deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, For ever and ever. *Amen.*

Then likewise he shall say,

O LORD, open thou our lips;

Answ. And our mouth shall show forth thy praise.

Min. Now unto the King eternal, immortal, invisible, the only wise God;

Answ. Be honour and glory, through Jesus Christ, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

Min. Praise ye the Lord.

Answ. The Lord's name be praised.

Then shall be sung, or else repeated by the Minister and People alternately, the following Anthem; except on the days for which other Anthems are appointed; which are Christmas Day, Good Friday, Easter, and Whitsunday.

OCOME, let us sing unto the Lord; let us heartily rejoice in the strength of our salvation.

Let us come before his presence with thanksgiv-

ing ; and show ourselves glad in him with psalms.

For the Lord is a great God ; and a great king above all gods.

In his hand are all the corners of the earth ; and the strength of the hills is his also.

The sea is his, and he made it ; and his hands prepared the dry land.

O come, let us worship, and fall down, and kneel before the Lord our Maker.

For he is the Lord our God ; and we are the people of his pasture, and the sheep of his hand.

O worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness ; let the whole earth stand in awe of him.

For he cometh, for he cometh to judge the earth ; and with righteousness to judge the world, and the people with his truth.

Then shall be said, by the Minister and People alternately, the Psalms for the Day, or a Selection from the Psalms, at the discretion of the minister. And at the close of the Psalms shall be repeated the following Doxology.

NOW unto the King

eternal, immortal, invisible, the only wise God ;

Be honour and glory, through Jesus Christ, for ever and ever. Amen.

Then may follow an Anthem, or a Voluntary on the Organ. After which the Minister shall read the FIRST LESSON, taken out of the Old Testament ; and at the end of it he shall say, Here endeth the FIRST LESSON. Then shall be sung, or else repeated by the Minister and People alternately the Hymn called Te Deum.

TE DEUM.

WE praise thee, O God ; we acknowledge thee to be the Lord.

All the earth doth worship thee, the Father everlasting.

To thee all angels cry aloud, the heavens and all the powers therein.

To thee cherubim and seraphim continually do cry,

Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of hosts.

Heaven and earth are full of the majesty of thy glory.

The glorious company of
the apostles, praise thee.

The goodly fellowship of
the prophets, praise thee.

The noble army of mar-
tyrs, praise thee.

The holy church through-
out all the world, doth ac-
knowledge thee,

The Father of an infinite
majesty ;

The Creator and Pre-
server of the universe,

The God and Father of
Jesus Christ our Saviour,

The Enlightener and
Sanctifier of men.

All happiness proceedeth
from thee ;

And to thee all gratitude
and adoration are due.

We bless thee for send-
ing into the world thy be-
loved Son.

When thou gavest him
to deliver man, it pleased
thee that he should be born
of a virgin.

When he had overcome
the sharpness of death, he
opened the kingdom of
heaven to all believers.

He sitteth at the right
hand of God, in the glory
of the Father.

We believe, that he shall
come to be our judge.

We therefore pray thee,
help thy servants, whom

thou hast redeemed through
his most precious blood.

Make them to be num-
bered with thy saints, in
glory everlasting.

O Lord, save thy people,
and bless thine heritage.

Govern them, and lift
them up for ever.

Day by day we magnify
thee ;

And we worship thy
name, ever, world without
end.

Vouchsafe, O Lord, to
keep us this day without
sin.

O Lord have mercy up-
on us ; have mercy upon us.

O Lord, let thy mercy
lighten upon us, as our
trust is in thee.

O Lord, in thee have we
trusted ; let us never be
confounded.

Or this Psalm.

PSALM 145.

I WILL magnify thee, O
God, my King ; and I will
praise thy name for ever
and ever.

Every day will I give
thanks unto thee, and
praise thy name for ever
and ever.

Great is the Lord and

marvellous, worthy to be praised ; there is no end of his greatness.

One generation shall praise thy works unto another, and declare thy power.

The memorial of thine abundant kindness shall be shown ; and men shall sing of thy righteousness.

The Lord is gracious and merciful, long suffering, and of great goodness.

The Lord is loving unto every man, and his mercy is over all his works.

All thy works praise thee, O Lord, and thy saints give thanks unto thee.

They show the glory of thy kingdom, and talk of thy power ;

That thy power, thy glory, and mightiness of thy kingdom might be known unto men.

Thy kingdom is an everlasting kingdom, and thy dominion endureth throughout all ages.

The Lord upholdeth all such as fall, and lifteth up all those who are down.

The eyes of all wait upon thee, O Lord, and thou givest them their meat in due season.

Thou openest thine

hand, and fillest all things living with plenteousness.

The Lord is righteous in all his ways, and holy in all his works.

The Lord is nigh unto all those who call upon him ; yea, all such as call upon him faithfully.

He will fulfil the desire of those who fear him ; he also will hear their cry, and will help them.

The Lord preserveth all those who love him ; but scattereth abroad all the ungodly.

My mouth shall speak the praise of the Lord, and let all flesh give thanks unto his holy name for ever and ever. *Amen.*

Then shall the Minister read the SECOND LESSON taken out of the New Testament ; and at the end of it he shall say, Here endeth the Second Lesson. Then shall be sung, or else repeated by the Minister and People alternately, the following Hymn.

LUKE I. 68.

BLESSED be the Lord God of Israel ; for he hath

visited and redeemed his people.

And hath raised up a mighty salvation for us, in the house of his servant David ;

As he spake by the mouth of his holy prophets, who have been since the world began ;

That we should be saved from our enemies, and from the hand of all who hate us.

Or this Psalm.

PSALM 100.

O BE joyful in the Lord, all ye lands ; serve the Lord with gladness, and come before his presence with a song.

Be ye sure that the Lord he is God ; it is he who hath made us, and not we ourselves ; we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.

O go your way into his gates with thanksgiving, and into his courts with praise ; be thankful unto him, and speak good of his name.

For the Lord is gracious, his mercy is everlasting, and his truth endureth from generation to generation.

Min. The Lord be with you ;

Answ. And with thy spirit.

Min. Let us pray.

O Lord, show thy mercy upon us ;

Answ. And grant us thy salvation.

Min. O God, make clean our hearts within us ;

Answ. And take not thy Holy Spirit from us.

Then shall be read the COLLECT FOR THE DAY ; and then the service shall proceed as followeth.

THE COLLECT FOR PEACE.

O GOD, who art the author of peace, and lover of concord, in knowledge of whom standeth our eternal life, whose service is perfect freedom ; defend us thy humble servants in all assaults of our enemies, that we surely trusting in thy defence, may not fear the power of any adversaries, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

THE COLLECT FOR GRACE.

O LORD our heavenly Father, almighty and everlasting God, who hast safe-

ly brought us to the beginning of this day; defend us in the same with thy mighty power; and grant that this day we fall into no sin, neither run into any kind of danger; but that all our doings may be ordered by thy governance, to do always that which is righteous in thy sight, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

THE LITANY,
OR GENERAL SUPPLICATION.

O GOD, our heavenly Father, have mercy upon us miserable sinners.

O God, our heavenly Father, have mercy upon us miserable sinners.

O God, who by thy Son hast redeemed the world, have mercy upon us miserable sinners.

O God, who by thy Son hast redeemed the world, have mercy upon us miserable sinners.

O God, who by thy holy Spirit dost govern, direct, and sanctify the hearts of thy faithful servants, have mercy upon us miserable sinners.

O God, who by thy holy Spirit dost govern, direct, and sanctify the hearts of

thy faithful servants, have mercy upon us miserable sinners.

Remember not, Lord, our offences, neither take thou vengeance of our sins; spare us, good Lord, spare thy people whom thou hast redeemed by the most precious blood of thy Son, and be not angry with us for ever.

Spare us, good Lord.

From all evil and mischief; from sin; from the assaults of temptation, from thy wrath, and from everlasting destruction,

Good Lord, deliver us.

From all blindness of heart; from pride, vain-glory, and hypocrisy; from envy, hatred, and malice, and all uncharitableness; from all inordinate and sinful affections, and from all the deceitful allurements of this transitory world,

Good Lord, deliver us.

From lightning, and tempest; from plague, pestilence, and famine; from battle, and murder, and from death unprepared for,

Good Lord, deliver us.

From all sedition, privy conspiracy, and rebellion; from all false doctrine, heresy, and schism; from hardness of heart, and contempt

of thy word and commandment,

Good Lord, deliver us.

In all time of our tribulation ; in all time of our prosperity, in the hour of death, and in the day of judgment,

Good Lord, deliver us.

We sinners do beseech thee to hear us, O Lord God, and that it may please thee to rule and govern thy holy church universal in the right way ; and to illuminate all ministers of the gospel with true knowledge, and understanding of thy word ; and that both by their preaching and living they may set it forth, and show it accordingly ;

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to endue the President of these United States, the Governor of this Commonwealth, the Judges and Magistrates, and all others in authority, with wisdom and understanding ; giving them grace to execute justice and to maintain truth ;

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to bless all colleges and seminaries of learning ; all

instructors of youth, and all means of true knowledge, virtue, and piety ;

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to bless and keep all thy people ; to give to all nations, unity, peace, and concord ; and to give us a heart to love and fear thee, and diligently to live after thy commandments ;

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to give to all thy people increase of grace, to hear meekly thy word, and to receive it with pure affection, and to bring forth the fruits of the Spirit ;

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to bring into the way of truth all such as have erred, and are deceived ; to strengthen such as do stand ; to comfort and help the weak hearted ; to raise up those who fall ; and finally to give us victory over all temptations ;

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to succour, help, and comfort all who are in danger, necessity, and tribulation ;

to preserve all who travel by land or by water, all sick persons and young children; to show thy pity upon all prisoners and captives; to defend, and provide for, the fatherless children and widows, and all who are desolate and oppressed;

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to have mercy upon all men;

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to forgive our enemies, persecutors, and slanderers, and to turn their hearts;

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to give and preserve to our use the kindly fruits of the earth, so that in due time we may enjoy them;

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to give us true repentance, to forgive us all our sins, negligences, and ignorances, and to endue us with the grace of thy holy Spirit, to amend our lives according to thy holy word;

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

O Lord, grant us thy peace.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

O Lord, deal not with us after our sins;

Neither reward us after our iniquities.

WE humbly beseech thee, O Father, mercifully to look upon our infirmities; and for the glory of thy name, turn from us all those evils which we most justly have deserved; and grant that in all our troubles we may put our whole trust and confidence in thy mercy, and evermore serve thee in holiness and pureness of living, to thy honor and glory, through our only Mediator and Advocate, Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

The three Prayers following are to be read in the Morning, at those times when the Litany is not said.

A PRAYER FOR RULERS.

O LORD, our heavenly Father, high and mighty, King of kings, Lord of lords, who dost from thy throne behold all the dwellers upon the earth; most heartily we beseech thee

with thy favour to behold the President, Vice President, and Congress of the United States, and so replenish them with the grace of thy holy Spirit, that they may always incline to thy will, and walk in thy way. Endue them plenteously with heavenly gifts, that in all their deliberations they may be enabled to promote the national prosperity, and to secure the peace, liberty, and safety of the United States throughout all generations. This we humbly ask in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

A PRAYER FOR THE CLERGY AND PEOPLE.

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, who art the author of every good and perfect gift; send down upon all ministers of the gospel, and upon all congregations committed to their charge, the needful spirit of thy grace; and, that they may truly please thee, pour upon them the continual dew of thy blessing. Grant this, O heavenly Father, for thine infinite mercy's sake in Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

A PRAYER FOR ALL CONDITIONS OF MEN.

OGOD, the Creator and Preserver of all mankind, we humbly beseech thee for all sorts and conditions of men, that thou wouldest be pleased to make thy ways known unto them, thy saving health unto all nations. More especially we pray for the good estate of thy holy church; that it may be so guided and governed by thy good Spirit, that all who profess and call themselves Christians, may be led into the way of truth, and hold the faith in unity of spirit, in the bond of peace, and in righteousness of life. Finally, we commend to thy fatherly goodness, all those who are any ways afflicted or distressed in mind, body or estate; that it may please thee to comfort and relieve them according to their several necessities; giving them patience under their sufferings, and a happy issue out of all their afflictions; and this we humbly ask as disciples of Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

*If any desire the Prayers
of the Congregation, the*

Notes are to be read here, by the Minister, followed by the appropriate Prayers or Thanksgivings.

A GENERAL THANKSGIVING.

ALMIGHTY God, Father of all mercies, we thine unworthy servants do give thee most humble and hearty thanks for all thy goodness and loving kindness to us and to all men. We bless thee for our creation, preservation, and all the blessings of this life; but above all, for thine inestimable love in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ; for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory. And we beseech thee, give us that due sense of all thy mercies, that our hearts may be unfeignedly thankful, and that we may show forth thy praise, not only with our lips, but in our lives, by giving up ourselves to thy service, and

by walking before thee in holiness and righteousness all our days, through Jesus Christ our Lord; in whose name we ascribe unto thee all honour and glory, world without end. *Amen.*

A CONCLUDING PRAYER.

ALMIGHTY God, who hast given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplications unto thee, and hast promised by thy beloved Son, that where two or three are gathered together in his name, thou wilt grant their requests; fulfil now, O Lord, the desires and petitions of thy servants, as may be most expedient for them, granting us in this world knowledge of thy truth, and in the world to come life everlasting. *Amen.*

THE grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the holy Ghost, be with us all evermore. *Amen.*

END OF MORNING PRAYER.

EVENING PRAYER.

At the beginning of Evening Prayer, the Minister shall read one or more of the following Sentences of Scripture ; and then he shall read the Exhortation.

WHEN the wicked man turneth away from his wickedness which he hath committed, and doeth that which is lawful and right, he shall save his soul alive. *Ezek. xviii. 27.*

I acknowledge my transgressions ; and my sin is ever before me. *Psal. li. 3.*

Hide thy face from my sins ; and blot out all mine iniquities. *Psal. li. 9.*

The sacrifices of God are a broken spirit ; a broken and a contrite heart, O God, thou wilt not despise. *Psal. li. 17.*

Rend your heart, and not your garments, and turn unto the Lord your God ; for he is gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and of great kindness, and repenteth him of the evil. *Joel, ii. 13.*

To the Lord our God belong mercies and forgivenesses, though we have rebelled against him ; neither have we obeyed the voice of the Lord our God, to walk in his laws which he set before us. *Dan. ix. 9, 10.*

O Lord, correct me, but with judgment ; not in thine anger, lest thou bring me to nothing. *Jer. x. 24.*

Repent ye ; for the kingdom of heaven is at hand. *Matt. iii. 2.*

I will arise, and go to my Father, and will say unto him, Father, I have sinned against heaven, and before thee, and am no more worthy to be called thy son. *Luke, xv. 18, 19.*

Enter not into judgment with thy servant, O Lord ;

for in thy sight shall no man living be justified. *Psal. cxliii. 2.*

If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us; but if we confess our sins, God is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. 1 *John*, i. 8, 9.

The hour cometh, and now is, when the true worshippers shall worship the Father in spirit and in truth; for the Father seeketh such to worship him. God is a spirit, and they who worship him, must worship him in spirit and in truth. *John*, iv. 23, 24.

EXHORTATION.

DEARLY beloved brethren, the Scripture moveth us in sundry places to acknowledge and confess our manifold sins and wickedness, and that we should not dissemble nor cloak them before the face of Almighty God our heavenly Father; but confess them with an humble, lowly, penitent, and obedient heart; to the end that we may obtain forgiveness of the same, by his infinite

goodness and mercy. And although we ought, at all times, humbly to acknowledge our sins before God; yet ought we chiefly so to do, when we assemble and meet together, to render thanks for the great benefits that we have received at his hands, to set forth his most worthy praise, to hear his most holy word, and to ask those things which are requisite and necessary, as well for the body as the soul. Wherefore I pray and beseech you, as many as are here present, to accompany me, with a pure heart and humble voice, unto the throne of the heavenly grace, saying after me.

A general Confession to be said by the whole Congregation after the Minister.

ALMIGHTY and most merciful Father, We have erred and strayed from thy ways like lost sheep. We have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts. We have offended against thy holy laws. We have left undone those things which we ought to have done; And we have done those things

which we ought not to have done. But thou, O Lord, have mercy upon us miserable offenders. Spare thou those, O God, who confess their faults. Restore thou those who are penitent, According to thy promises declared unto mankind in Christ Jesus our Lord. And grant, O most merciful Father, That we may hereafter live a godly, righteous, and sober life; To the glory of thy holy name. *Amen.*

*Then shall the Minister say
this Prayer.*

ALMIGHTY God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who desirest not the death of a sinner, but rather that he should turn from his wickedness and live; pardon and absolve all those who truly repent, and unfeignedly believe the holy gospel. We beseech thee to grant us true repentance, and thy holy Spirit; that those things may please thee which we do at this present, and that the rest of our life hereafter may be pure and holy; so that at the last we may come to thine eternal joy,

through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Or this.

O MOST mighty God and merciful Father, who hast compassion upon all men, and hatest nothing that thou hast made; who wouldst not the death of a sinner, but that he should rather turn from his sin and be saved; mercifully forgive us our trespasses; receive and comfort us, who are grieved with the burden of our sins. Thy property is always to have mercy; to thee only it appertaineth to forgive iniquity. Spare us therefore, good Lord; enter not into judgment with thy servants, who have sinned against thee; but so turn thine anger from us, who acknowledge our unworthiness, and repent us of our faults, and so make haste to help us in this world, that we may ever live with thee in the world to come, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

OUR Father, who art in heaven, Hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come; Thy will be done on earth, as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, As we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, But deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, For ever and ever. *Amen.*

Then likewise he shall say,

O LORD, open thou our lips ;

Answ. And our mouth shall show forth thy praise.

Min. Now unto the King eternal, immortal, invisible, the only wise God ;

Answ. Be honour and glory, through Jesus Christ, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

Min. Praise ye the Lord.

Answ. The Lord's Name be praised.

Then shall be said, by the Minister and People alternately, the Psalms for the Day, or a Selection from the Psalms, at the discretion of the minister. And at the close of the Psalms shall be repeated the following Doxology.

NOW unto the King eternal, immortal, invisible, the only wise God ;

Be honour and glory,

through Jesus Christ, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

Then may follow an Anthem or a Voluntary on the Organ, after which the Minister shall read the FIRST LESSON, from the Old Testament ; and at the end of it he shall say, Here endeth the First Lesson. Then shall be sung, or else said, by the Minister and People alternately, the song of the Virgin Mary, as followeth.

LUKE I. 46.

MY soul doth magnify the Lord, and my spirit hath rejoiced in God my Saviour.

For he hath regarded the lowliness of his handmaiden.

For behold, from henceforth, all generations shall call me blessed.

For he who is mighty hath magnified me ; and holy is his name.

And his mercy is on them that fear him, throughout all generations.

He hath shown strength with his arm ; he hath scattered the proud in the imagination of their hearts.

He hath put down the mighty from their seat ; and

hath exalted the humble and meek.

He hath filled the hungry with good things ; and the rich he hath sent empty away.

Heremembering his mercy, hath holpen his servant Israel, as he promised to our forefathers, Abraham and his seed for ever.

Or else this Psalm.

PSALM 98.

O SING unto the Lord a new song ; for he hath done marvellous things.

With his own right hand, and with his holy arm, hath he gotten himself the victory.

The Lord declared his salvation ; his righteousness hath he openly shown in he sight of the heathen.

He hath remembered his mercy and truth toward the house of Israel ; and all the ends of the world have seen the salvation of our God.

Show yourselves joyful unto the Lord, all ye lands ; sing, rejoice, and give thanks.

Praise the Lord upon the harp ; sing to the harp with a psalm of thanksgiving ;

With trumpets also and

shawms, O show yourselves joyful before the Lord the king.

Let the sea make a noise, and all that therein is ; the round world, and they that dwell therein.

Let the floods clap their hands ; and let the hills be joyful together before the Lord ; for he cometh to judge the earth.

With righteousness shall he judge the world, and the people with equity.

Then shall the minister read the SECOND LESSON, from the New Testament, and at the end of it he shall say, Here endeth the Second Lesson. Then shall be sung, or else said, by the Minister and People alternately, the song of Simeon, as followeth.

LUKE II. 29.

LORD, now lettest thou thy servant depart in peace, according to thy word ;

For mine eyes have seen thy salvation,

Which thou hast prepared before the face of all people ;

To be a light to lighten the Gentiles ; and to be the glory of thy people Israel.

Or else this Psalm.

PSALM 67.

GOD be merciful unto us, and bless us ; and show us the light of his countenance, and be merciful unto us ;

That thy way may be known upon earth, thy saving health among all nations.

Let the people praise thee, O God ; yea, let all the people praise thee.

O let the nations rejoice and be glad ; for thou shalt judge the folk righteously, and govern the nations upon earth.

Let the people praise thee, O God ; yea, let all the people praise thee.

Then shall the earth bring forth her increase ; and God, even our own God, shall give us his blessing.

God shall bless us, and all the ends of the world shall fear him.

Min. The Lord be with you ;

Answ. And with thy spirit.

Min. Let us pray.

O Lord, show thy mercy upon us ;

Answ. And grant us thy salvation.

Min. O God, make clean our hearts within us ;

Answ. And take not thy holy Spirit from us.

Then shall be read the COLLECT FOR THE DAY, and then the Service shall proceed as followeth.

THE COLLECT FOR PEACE.

O GOD, from whom all holy desires, all good counsels, and all just works do proceed ; give unto thy servants that peace which the world cannot give ; that both our hearts may be set to obey thy commandments, and also that being defended by thee from the fear of our enemies, we may pass our time in rest and quietness, through Jesus Christ our Saviour.
Amen.

THE COLLECT FOR AID
AGAINST ALL PERILS.

LIGHTEN our darkness, we beseech thee, O Lord, and by thy great mercy defend us from all perils and dangers of this night, for the honour of thy name, through Jesus Christ our Mediator and Advocate. *Amen.*

A PRAYER FOR RULERS.

O LORD, our heavenly Father, high and mighty, King of kings, Lord of lords, who dost from thy throne behold all the dwellers upon the earth; most heartily we beseech thee with thy favour to behold the President, Vice President, and Congress of the United States, and so replenish them with the grace of thy holy Spirit, that they may always incline to thy will, and walk in thy way. Endue them plenteously with heavenly gifts, that in all their deliberations they may be enabled to promote the national prosperity, and to secure the peace, liberty, and safety of the United States throughout all generations. This we humbly ask in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

A PRAYER FOR THE CLERGY AND PEOPLE.

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, who art the author of every good and perfect gift; send down upon all ministers of the gospel, and upon all congregations committed to their *charge, the needful*

Spirit of thy grace; and that they may truly please thee, pour upon them the continual dew of thy blessing. Grant this, O heavenly Father, for thine infinite mercy's sake in Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

A PRAYER FOR ALL CONDITIONS OF MEN.

O GOD, the Creator and Preserver of all mankind, we humbly beseech thee for all sorts and conditions of men, that thou wouldst be pleased to make thy ways known unto them, thy saving health unto all nations. More especially we pray for the good estate of thy holy church; that it may be so guided and governed by thy good Spirit, that all who profess and call themselves Christians, may be led into the way of truth, and hold the faith in unity of spirit, in the bond of peace, and in righteousness of life. Finally, we commend to thy fatherly goodness, all those who are any ways afflicted or distressed in mind, body, or estate; that it may please thee, to comfort and relieve them according to

their several necessities ; giving them patience under their sufferings, and a happy issue out of all their afflictions ; and this we humbly ask as disciples of Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

If any desire the Prayers of the Congregation, the Notes are to be read here by the Minister, followed by the appropriate Prayers or Thanksgivings.

A GENERAL THANKSGIVING.

ALMIGHTY God, Father of all mercies, we thine unworthy servants do give thee most humble and hearty thanks for all thy goodness and loving kindness to us and to all men. We bless thee for our creation, preservation, and all the blessings of this life ; but above all, for thine inestimable love in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ ; for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory. And we beseech thee, give us that due sense of all thy mercies, that our hearts may be unfeignedly thankful, and that we may show forth

thy praise, not only with our lips, but in our lives, by giving up ourselves to thy service, and by walking before thee in holiness and righteousness all our days, through Jesus Christ our Lord ; in whose name we ascribe unto thee all honour and glory, world without end. *Amen.*

A CONCLUDING PRAYER.

ALMIGHTY God, who hast given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplications unto thee, and hast promised by thy beloved Son, that where two or three are gathered together in his name, thou wilt grant their requests ; fulfil now, O Lord, the desires and petitions of thy servants, as may be most expedient for them, granting us in this world knowledge of thy truth, and in the world to come life everlasting. *Amen.*

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Ghost, be with us all evermore. *Amen.*

SECOND FORM OF EVENING PRAYER.

The Minister shall begin the Service with the following Sentences of Scripture, addressed to the People.

FROM the rising of the sun, unto the going down of the same, the Lord's name is to be praised.

O magnify the Lord with me, and let us exalt his name together; for with him is the fountain of life, and in his light shall we see light.

Let our prayers be set forth in his sight as incense; and the lifting up of our hands be as an evening sacrifice.

We will go into his tabernacle; we will worship at his footstool; we will worship, and fall down, and kneel before the Lord our Maker.

For he is kind to all, even unto the evil and unthankful. He has nourished and brought us up

as children, though we have rebelled against him.

Let us then go unto our Father, and say unto him, Father, we have sinned against heaven and in thy sight, and are no more worthy to be called thy children.

Then shall follow the Confession and Prayer, to be said by the Minister and People.

O ALMIGHTY God, and most merciful Father, Unto whom all hearts are open, and from whom no secrets are hid; With simplicity and godly sincerity would we seek thee, Confessing our unthankfulness, and our manifold offences. We de-

plore the sins which we have at any time committed, In thought, or affection, in word, or deed, Against each other and against thee. And we humbly beseech thee, Through thy mercy declared unto us by thy Son Jesus Christ, To look graciously upon us, and forgive us, And assist us to lay aside every weight, And the sins which so easily beset us; To mortify our evil and corrupt affections, And to subdue every thought and desire to the obedience of the gospel. May we be convinced, O God, That till we know thee, we know nothing aright; That without thee, we have nothing of any worth; And in wandering from thee, we leave all that is truly good. Let us cast ourselves into the arms of thy mercy, And offer thee our whole being, our bodies and our souls, That they may be thy temple for ever. And wilt thou take us, O Lord, entirely into thy hands, with all that we have, And let nothing henceforward, either in life or death, ever separate us from thee any more. *Amen.*

THE LORD'S PRAYER.

OUR Father, who art in heaven, Hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come; Thy will be done on earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, As we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, But deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

Then shall the Minister say,

O LORD, open thou our lips;

Answ. And our mouths shall show forth thy praise.

Min. O God make speed to save us.

Answ. O Lord make haste to help us.

Min. O Lord let thy mercy be shown upon us;

Answ. As we do put our trust in thee.

Min. Praise ye the Lord.

Answ. The Lord's name be praised.

Then shall be said, by the Minister and People alternately, the Psalms for

the day, or a Selection from the Psalms, at the discretion of the Minister; and at the close of the Psalms shall be repeated the following Doxology.

Now unto the King eternal, immortal, invisible, the only wise God ;

Be honour and glory, through Jesus Christ, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

Then may follow an Anthem, or a Voluntary on the organ. After which, the minister shall read the FIRST LESSON from the Old Testament ; and at the end of it he shall say, Here endeth the First Lesson. Then shall be sung, or else repeated by the Minister and People alternately, the 98th Psalm, as followeth.

PSALM 98.

O SING unto the Lord a new song ; for he hath done marvellous things.

With his own right hand, and with his holy arm, hath he gotten himself the victory.

The Lord declared his salvation ; his righteousness

hath he openly shown in the sight of the heathen.

He hath remembered his mercy and truth toward the house of Israel ; and all the ends of the world have seen the salvation of our God.

Show yourselves joyful unto the Lord, all ye lands ; sing, rejoice, and give thanks.

Praise the Lord upon the harp ; sing to the harp with a psalm of thanksgiving ;

With trumpets also and shawms, O show yourselves joyful before the Lord the king.

Let the sea make a noise, and all that therein is ; the round world and they that dwell therein.

Let the floods clap their hands ; and let the hills be joyful together before the Lord ; for he cometh to judge the earth.

With righteousness shall he judge the world, and the people with equity.

Or this.

PSALM 84.

O HOW amiable are thy dwellings, thou Lord of hosts !

My soul longeth, yea, even fainteth for the courts

of the Lord ; my heart and my flesh cry out for the living God.

As the sparrow findeth a house, and the swallow a nest where she may lay her young, so let me dwell at thine altars, O Lord of hosts, my king and my God.

Blessed are they who dwell in thy house ; they will be always praising thee.

Blessed are the men whose strength is in thee ; in whose heart are thy ways.

They will go from strength to strength, till every one of them appeareth before God in Sion.

For a day in thy courts is better than a thousand elsewhere. I had rather be a doorkeeper in the house of my God, than to dwell in the tents of ungodliness.

For the Lord God is a sun and shield ; the Lord will give grace and glory ; no good thing will he withhold from those who walk uprightly.

O Lord, God of hosts, blessed is the man who trusteth in thee.

Then shall the Minister read the SECOND LESSON

from the Epistles, and at the end of it he shall say, Here endeth the Second Lesson. Then shall be sung, or else repeated by the Minister and People alternately, the 67th Psalm, as followeth.

PSALM 67.

GOD be merciful unto us, and bless us ; and show us the light of his countenance, and be merciful unto us ;

That thy way may be known upon earth, thy saving health among all nations.

Let the people praise thee, O God ; yea, let all the people praise thee.

O let the nations rejoice and be glad ; for thou shalt judge the folk righteously, and govern the nations upon earth.

Let the people praise thee, O God ; yea, let all the people praise thee.

Then shall the earth bring forth her increase ; and God, even our own God, shall give us his blessing.

God shall bless us, and all the ends of the world shall fear him.

Or this.

PSALM 121.

I WILL lift up mine eyes
unto the hills, from whence
cometh my help.

My help cometh from
the Lord, who hath made
heaven and earth.

He will not suffer thy
foot to be moved ; he who
keepeth thee will not sleep.

Behold, he who keepeth
his people shall neither
slumber nor sleep.

The Lord himself is thy
keeper ; the Lord is thy
shade upon thy right hand.

The sun shall not smite
thee by day, neither the
moon by night.

The Lord shall preserve
thee from all evil ; it is
even he who shall keep thy
soul.

The Lord shall preserve
thy going out and thy com-
ing in, from this time forth
for evermore.

Min. The Lord be with
you.

Ans. And with thy spirit.

Min. Let us pray.

O Lord, show thy mercy
upon us ;

Ans. And grant us thy
salvation.

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Min. O God make clean
our hearts within us ;

Ans. And take not thy
holy Spirit from us.

*Then shall the Minister
offer the following
Prayers.*

A PRAYER FOR AID
AGAINST PERILS.

O THOU great Author
of our being, who knowest
all our wants, and who
alone art able to supply
them ; who perceivest all
the dangers and evils to
which we are exposed, and
who alone canst defend us ;
whither shall we go but unto
thee ! We pray thee to
compassionate our weak-
ness, to guard us in peril, to
direct us in doubt, and to save
us from falling into sin. In
every exposure may thy
shield be over us. From
the evil that is around and
within us, graciously de-
liver us. Make the path of
duty plain before us, and
keep us in it even unto the
end.

Heavenly Father, we be-
seech thee to watch over
us this night, and preserve
us from all harm. In the
night of affliction and trou-
ble may we look up unto

thee, and be comforted with the assurance that thou wilt hereafter wipe away all tears from our eyes. And when we come to the dark valley of the shadow of death, be thou our guide and comforter, and bring us to the regions of endless day.

O God, we commit ourselves entirely to thy disposal; and whether we enjoy, or suffer, or live, or die, may we be mercifully accepted as thy children, and disciples of thy Son Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

INTERCESSIONS.

O THOU who art our Creator, Preserver, Governor and Judge, we beseech thee to regard with thy favour all thy creatures, and to show thy mercy on all orders and conditions of men. Bless, we pray thee, all our rulers; all those whose duty it is to administer justice; all who are in places of authority and trust. May our land be ever favoured of the Most High God; the abode of freedom, religion, virtue, truth, and peace. Let thy mercy descend upon thy whole

church; purify it by thy spirit, and preserve it against all temptations and enemies; that offering to thee the never ceasing sacrifice of prayer and thanksgiving, it may advance thy honour, and be filled with thy grace, and partake of thy glory. Bless all its ministers, and clothe them with righteousness. Bless the means of education, and the instructors of youth. Enlighten the ignorant; convert the unbelieving; relieve and comfort all the persecuted and afflicted; speak peace to troubled consciences; strengthen the weak; confirm the strong; deliver the oppressed from him who spoileth him, and succour the needy who hath no helper. Redeem man, O God, from slavery, superstition, and crime; send light, liberty, and peace, over the whole earth; and let the sun of righteousness arise upon all nations, with healing in his beams.

Hear our supplications, which we humbly address to thee in the name of Jesus Christ our Saviour, who ever liveth to make intercession for us, and through whom we render unto thee

all honour and glory for ever. *Amen.*

If any desire the Prayers of the Congregation, the Notes are to be read here by the Minister, followed by the appropriate Prayers or Thanksgivings; and then the Minister is to continue the Service as followeth.

GENERAL THANKSGIVING.

O LORD, merciful and gracious, we, thy dependent offspring, would now humbly and sincerely thank thee, because thou hast given us life, and by thy bountiful providence hast always nourished, directed, and governed us. For our reason, education, and religion; for all the gifts of nature, and of grace; for our Saviour, Christ; for our redemption, and instruction in the truth; for thy repeated calls to us; for all the patience which has waited for us, and all the mercy which has spared us; for all the enjoyments of this present life, and for all thy promises, and all our hopes of a better life to come, we bless and magnify thy holy name. And

grant, O Lord, that thy mercies may be followed by our obedience; and that we may so walk in the light of thy favour, and in the paths of thy commandments, that living here to thy praise, we may at last be received to thyself, to rejoice for ever in thy presence; which we ask in the name, and as disciples of him who died that we might live, through whom to thee be ascribed all thanksgiving and praise, both now and for ever. *Amen.*

CONCLUDING PRAYER.

ETERNAL and all seeing God, we thy creatures sink into nothing before thy supreme majesty; we feel our weakness; we acknowledge our folly; we repeatedly bewail our sins; thee only we adore with awful veneration; thee we thank with fervent zeal; to thy power we humbly submit; of thy goodness we devoutly implore protection; on thy wisdom we firmly and cheerfully rely. Whenever we address thee, O Father, if our prayers are unwise, wilt thou pity us; if they are presumptuous,

wilt thou pardon us ; if acceptable to thee, grant them, all powerful God ; and as we now express our submission to thy decrees, adore thy providence, and bless thy dispensations, so, in that future state, to which we reverently hope thy goodness will raise us, may we

continue praising, venerating, worshipping thee, more and more, through worlds without number, and ages without end. *Amen.*

THE grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the holy Spirit, be with us all evermore. *Amen.*

END OF THE SECOND FORM OF EVENING PRAYER.

OCCASIONAL

PRAYERS AND THANKSGIVINGS.

Though the Prayers and Thanksgivings which follow, are intended for a variety of Occasions, yet the Minister is at liberty to introduce such Petitions of his own, as he may more perfectly adapt to the circumstances of the time, and of his Congregation.

PRAYERS.

FOR A SICK PERSON.

OGOD, who hast taught us at all times and in every condition to make our requests known unto thee ; we offer up our humble supplications in behalf of thy servant, who is labouring under pain and sickness. Look down upon *him* with mercy, and let the consideration of thy goodness strengthen and comfort *his* soul in the time of affliction. We pray, with submission to thy wise providence, that thou wouldst be pleased to remove *his* disorder and restore *him* to

health. Graciously prolong *his* days upon earth ; and grant that *his* affliction may produce the fruit of righteousness to the honour of thy name. By the sadness of *his* countenance may *his* heart be made better ; and may *he* live to manifest *his* thankfulness to thee *his* great preserver.

[*But if this affliction should be unto death, may thy servant be prepared to give *himself* up into thy hands with christian patience.]

**This is to be said when there is small hope of recovery.*

tience and fortitude, in joyful expectation of thy mercy unto eternal life. Give *him* unfeigned repentance for all *his* sins and a firm reliance on thy great mercies declared unto mankind by Jesus Christ our Lord. May the hope of thy favour support *him* in the hour of death; may *he* leave the world in peace; may *he* be received into thy heavenly kingdom, and made a partaker of that happiness which eye hath not seen, nor ear heard, nor hath it entered into the heart of man to conceive.]

O God, command thy blessing upon thy servant, even life evermore, through Jesus Christ our Lord and Saviour. *Amen.*

FOR A SICK CHILD.

O GOD, the fountain of all mercy, we offer up our humble prayers unto thee in behalf of the child, on whom thou hast seen fit to lay thine afflicting hand. We beseech thee, if it be thy will, to remove the disorder under which *he* labours, and restore *him* to health and strength. Suffer not the wishes of *his* parents to be disappointed,

but in thy great mercy spare *him* to be the comfort and support of their advancing years, and to be useful in the world. But whatever thou hast determined concerning *him*, thy will, O God, be done. Into thy hands we commit ourselves and all our enjoyments, and we humbly pray that, by all the dispensations of thy providence, we may be trained up for that world where pain, and sorrow, and death shall be known no more. *Amen.*

FOR A PERSON IN AFFLICTION.

OMERCIFUL God and heavenly Father, who hast taught us in thy holy word that thou dost not willingly afflict or grieve the children of men; look with pity, we beseech thee, upon the sorrows of thy servant for whom our prayers are desired. Remember *him*, O Lord, in mercy; sanctify to *him* thy fatherly correction; endue *his* soul with patience under *his* affliction, and with resignation to thy holy will. Comfort *him* with a sense of thy goodness; lift up the light of thy countenance upon *him*, and give

him peace through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Or this.

O GOD, gracious and merciful, who bindest up the broken heart, and pitiest the sorrows of those who fear thee, fulfil to thy *servant*, for whom our prayers are now desired, the promises of thy word. Sanctify to *him*, we beseech thee, thy correcting hand. Suffer *him* not to faint under thy rebuke. Let not *his* faith fail, nor *his* fortitude be overcome, nor *his* patience nor *his* hope depart from *him*. Enlighten the darkness which covers *him*, by the cheering truths of religion. Let the remembrance of thy goodness comfort *his* heart. Let the conviction of thy wisdom fortify *his* soul. Enable *him* to resign unto thee the object of *his* affections, in the assurance that as thou hast appointed unto all men once to die, so after death will be a joyful resurrection, when they who sleep in Jesus shall awake to everlasting life, and friends shall meet again, to separate no more. *Amen.*

FOR A PERSON AT SEA,
OR GOING TO SEA.

O ETERNAL Lord God, who alone spreadest out the heavens, and rulest the raging of the sea; be pleased to receive into thine almighty and most gracious protection the person of thy servant, for whom our prayers are desired. Preserve *him* from the dangers of the sea, from sickness, from the violence of enemies, and from every evil to which *he* may be exposed. Conduct *him* in safety to the desired haven, with a grateful sense of thy mercies, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

FOR MALEFACTORS AFTER
CONDEMNATION.

O MOST gracious and merciful God, we earnestly beseech thee to look down upon *those persons* recommended to our prayers, who now lie under the sentence of the law, and are appointed to die. Visit *them*, O Lord, with thy compassion; make *them* sensible of the miserable condition to which *their* wickedness has reduced them, and give *them* true and unfeigned

repentance. O God, in judgment remember mercy, and whatever sufferings *they* are to endure in this world, deliver *them* from the bitter pains of eternal death. Pardon *their* sins, and save *their* souls, for the sake of thine infinite goodness, in Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

FOR THE GENERAL COURT,
TO BE READ DURING THEIR
SESSION.

MOST gracious God, we humbly beseech thee, for the Legislature of this Commonwealth, at this time assembled, that thou wouldst be pleased to direct and prosper all their consultations, to the advancement of thy glory, and the safety, honour, and welfare of thy people; that all things may be so ordered and settled, by their endeavours, upon the best and surest foundations, that peace and happiness, truth and justice, religion and piety may be established among us for all generations. These and all other necessities for them, and for us, we humbly beg, in the name of Jesus Christ, our most blessed Lord and Saviour. *Amen.*

A COLLECT FOR SPRING.

O LORD, the Creator and Preserver of all things, who with unerring wisdom maintainest the beauty and order of thy works; we look up with joy and confidence unto thy gracious power, which causes the returning seasons to know their place. Bless, we beseech thee, the springing of the year, and enrich the earth with the rain of heaven. May grass grow for the cattle, and herbs and fruits for the service of man. May our pastures be clothed with flocks, our valleys covered with corn, and the year crowned with thy goodness; and may we so improve the various blessings of thy providence in this world, as to be prepared for the unchangeable felicities of thine everlasting kingdom, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

FOR SEASONABLE WEATHER.

O GOD, our heavenly Father, whose gift it is that the earth is fruitful and bringeth forth its increase for our sustenance and comfort; we humbly beseech thee to send us in

this our necessity such seasonable weather, that we may receive the fruits thereof in due time ; and grant that we may show forth our thankfulness to thee for all thy mercies, by a sincere obedience to thy holy laws, which thou hast taught us by Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

IN TIME OF GREAT
SCARCITY.

O GOD, our heavenly Father, who hast mercifully given us life, and on whom we depend for its support and preservation ; mercifully behold, we beseech thee, the present afflictions of thy people ; alleviate the distresses of the miserable, and may the cries of the poor come unto thee ; increase the fruits of the earth by thy heavenly benediction ; may our scarcity be turned into plenty, and grant that we may improve the bounties of thy providence to thy praise, by relieving the distresses of others, and by thankfully acknowledging thee the giver of every good and perfect gift, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

IN TIME OF SICKNESS.

ALMIGHTY and most wise God, whose never-failing providence ordereth all things both in heaven and on earth ; we humbly direct our addresses unto thee, in this time of our calamity, beseeching thee in behalf of our fellow creatures and friends, who are suffering under the grievous sickness with which thou art pleased to visit us. May the everlasting arm of thy mercy support them, in this time of their distress. Sanctify this general affliction to the reformation of our manners, and the improvement of our virtue ; and cause us to rejoice in the humble hope that every thing shall work together for good. In the midst of life we are in death ; of whom may we seek for succour, but of thee, O God. Restrain the progress of this disorder, if it be agreeable to thy blessed will. May those lives which are yet spared, be devoted to thy service, and may we, and all thy servants, be prepared for every event of thy providence, that whether we live, we

may live unto the Lord, or whether we die, we may die unto the Lord, and whether living or dying, may have an interest in thy mercies unto eternal life, through Jesus Christ our Saviour. *Amen.*

when the calamities of war shall cease for ever, and peace and righteousness universally prevail. And this we humbly beg, for thy mercy's sake, declared unto mankind by Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

IN TIME OF WAR.

O ALMIGHTY God, to whom it justly belongeth to punish sinful nations, and to be merciful to those who repent; we humbly beseech thee, in this time of our danger, to be the defender of our country. Give us not up into the hands of our enemies; save us from the edge of the sword, and preserve our land from the desolations of war. Have mercy upon us, O God; have mercy upon thy people. Send forth a spirit of reformation amongst us; avert the evils we have deserved; continue thy favour and protection to us; save and deliver us, O our God; for in thee do we put our trust. Restore tranquillity and peace to contending nations; unite the hearts of mankind in the bonds of humanity and love; and may the happy time come,

IN A THUNDER STORM.

O THOU most high and mighty Lord our God, the voice of whose thunder is in the heaven, and whose lightnings lighten the world, we, thy frail and feeble creatures do cry unto thee, beseeching thee to inspire our hearts with faith, confidence and love, and to teach us to look up unto thee both in the storm and in the calm, as our wise and merciful Father and Sovereign, who rulest all things well, in heaven and on earth. By all the many voices of nature, and events of providence, and whisperings of grace, may we hear ourselves called to reverence, adore and trust in thee, so that when this world shall pass away, and these heavens shall be rolled together as a scroll, we may stand secure in thine eternal dwelling place, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

FOR RECOVERY FROM
SICKNESS.

O LORD, our heavenly Father, who redeemest the lives of thy servants from destruction, and givest health, and life, and blessing; accept the sincere and humble thanksgivings of thy servant, whom thou hast raised from a bed of sickness, and restored to some good measure of health and strength. We praise thee for this gracious instance of thy goodness; may the remembrance of thy late mercy to *him*, have a happy and lasting influence upon *his* mind, and establish the good resolutions *he* may have formed; and may that life, which thy mercy prolongs, be devoted to thy service, in a constant obedience to thy holy commandments, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

FOR MERCIES RECEIVED.

ALMIGHTY God, our most gracious preserver, we offer up to thee our united thanksgivings for thy great goodness to thy *servants* in the mercies which thou hast vouch-

safed to *them*. May *their* hearts be filled with unfeigned thankfulness to thee *their* benefactor; and may *they* spend the remainder of *their* days in a course of obedience to thy commandments, that at last *they* may be partakers of eternal glory and happiness in the world to come, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

ON THE BIRTH OF A CHILD.

GRACIOUS God, we thank thee that thou hast given to thy *servants* a new object of affection and concern. Let *them* receive *their* child as from thee, and in gratitude dedicate it to thee. Will it please thee to watch over its life and health, to unfold its faculties, to make it a blessing to *them* and an instrument of good to society, wherever its lot may be cast. Help *them* to feel *their* obligations to it as christian parents. Above all, wilt thou early sanctify it in all its faculties and affections, and let it become a child of God. And whether earlier or later thou shalt take it from this scene of discipline, may it

not have lived in vain; and this we humbly ask in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

FOR A SAFE RETURN
FROM SEA.

ALMIGHTY God, the preserver of all thy creatures, and the confidence of the ends of the earth, and of those who are afar off upon the seas; we offer up unto thee our united thanksgivings for the signal mercies thou hast vouchsafed to thy servant whom thou hast preserved in *his* voyage; that thou hast protected *him* from every danger, to which *he* was exposed; and hast restored *him* to *his* friends in safety. Write a law of thankfulness upon *his* heart, and hereby engage *him* to a diligent and grateful obedience to all thy commandments, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

FOR RAIN.

O GOD, our heavenly Father, who by thy gracious providence dost cause the former and the latter rain to descend upon the earth, that it may bring forth fruit for the use of

man; we give thee humble thanks that it hath pleased thee in our great necessity to send a joyful rain upon the earth, and to enrich the furrows thereof with the plentiful dews of heaven. Thou hast filled our hearts with joy and gladness. We pray thee to continue to us the genial influences of the sun and rain, and to make us truly thankful for all thy mercies, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

FOR A PLENTIFUL SEASON.

ALMIGHTY and ever-blessed God, who mercifully suppliest the wants of thy creatures, and art continually giving testimonies of thy gracious providence; we rejoice at this time, with humble thankfulness, in the gifts of thine undeserved bounty, that thou hast caused the earth to yield its increase, and crowned the year with thy goodness. While thou art thus sending down thy blessings upon us, may we be disposed to live in a sober, temperate, and charitable enjoyment of them, and to bring forth the fruits of holiness and righteousness all the days of

our life, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

FOR DELIVERANCE FROM A
GENERAL SICKNESS.

O LORD God, who hast wounded us for our sins, and consumed us for our transgressions, by thy late heavy and dreadful visitation; and now in the midst of judgment remembering mercy, hast redeemed our souls from death; we offer unto thy fatherly goodness, ourselves, our souls, and bodies, which thou hast delivered, to be a living sacrifice unto thee; always praising and magnifying thy mercies in the midst of thy church, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

FOR PEACE AND DELIVER-
ANCE FROM OUR ENEMIES.

O ALMIGHTY God, who art a strong tower of defence unto thy servants against the face of their enemies; we yield thee praise and thanksgiving for our deliverance from those great dangers where-with we were compassed. We acknowledge it of thy

goodness that we were not delivered over as a prey unto them; beseeching thee still to continue such thy mercies towards us, that all the world may know that thou art our saviour and mighty deliverer, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

FOR RESTORING PUBLIC
PEACE AT HOME.

O ETERNAL God, our heavenly Father, who alone makest men to be of one mind in a house, and stillest the outrage of a violent and unruly people; we bless thy holy name, that it hath pleased thee to appease the seditious tumults which have been lately raised up amongst us; and we most humbly beseech thee, to grant to all of us grace, that we may henceforth obediently walk in thy holy commandments, and leading a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and honesty, may continually offer unto thee our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving for these thy mercies toward us, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

**COLLECT FOR THE CLOSE
OF THE YEAR.**

GOD of our lives, who art unchanged and unchangeable, without beginning and without end ; we render thee our humble thanks that thou hast brought us through the year, which is now closing, by thy mighty and outstretched arm. Thy candle hath shone upon our tabernacle, and thy smiles have gladdened our hearts.

We thank thee for the care which thou hast extended to us, and the blessings which thou hast bestowed upon us. We have cause to be grateful, and we have cause also to be humble, in our review of the past. Much of our time has been

wasted or misspent. O reward us not after our iniquities, and let not thy compassions cease from us ; but graciously prolong to us the day of grace and the means of salvation. Sanctify to us the afflictions which thou hast appointed us to bear, and grant that they may contribute to our eternal welfare and peace. We commend ourselves to thy holy keeping. Prepare us for life ; prepare us for death, and for eternity. May we go on our way with new resolutions of obedience, new gratitude for thy mercies, and new vigour to perform thy will. And when our time shall be no more, receive us to thyself in glory ; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

END OF THE PRAYERS AND THANKSGIVINGS.

COLLECTS, GOSPELS, AND EPISTLES.

The First Sunday in Advent.

THE COLLECT.

ALMIGHTY God, give us grace that we may cast away the works of darkness, and put upon us the armour of light, now in the time of this mortal life, in which thy Son Jesus Christ came to visit us in great humility; that in the last day, when he shall come again in his glorious majesty, to judge both the living and dead, we may rise to the life immortal. And this we beg in the name of our Mediator; through whom we ascribe unto thee all honour and glory, now and ever. *Amen.*

THE GOSPEL.

Matt. xxi. 1 — 13.

WHEN they drew nigh

unto Jerusalem, &c. — ye have made it a den of thieves.

THE EPISTLE.

Rom. xiii. 8 — 12.

OWE no man any thing, &c. — let us put on the armour of light.

The Second Sunday in Advent.

THE COLLECT.

BLESSED Lord, who hast caused all holy scriptures to be written for our learning; grant that we may in such wise hear them, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them, that by patience and comfort of thy holy word, we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope

of everlasting life, which thou hast given us in our Saviour Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

THE GOSPEL.

Luke, xxi. 25 — 33.

AND there shall be signs in the sun, &c. — but my word shall not pass away.

THE EPISTLE.

Rom. xv. 4 — 13.

WHATSOEVER things were written, &c. — power of the holy Ghost.

The Third Sunday in Advent.

THE COLLECT.

O GOD, the Father of Jesus Christ our Lord, who at his first coming didst send a messenger to prepare his way before him; grant that the ministers of thy word, may likewise so prepare and make ready his way, by turning the hearts of the disobedient to the wisdom of the just, that at his second coming

to judge the world, we may be found an acceptable people in thy sight. And this we beg in the name of Jesus Christ, through whom we ascribe unto thee all honour and glory, now and ever. *Amen.*

THE GOSPEL.

Matt. xi. 2 — 10.

NOW when John had heard, &c. — prepare thy way before thee.

THE EPISTLE.

1 Cor. iv. 1 — 5.

Let a man so account of us, &c. — shall every man have praise of God.

The Fourth Sunday in Advent.

THE COLLECT.

O LORD, raise up, we pray thee, thy power, and come among us, and with great might succour us; that whereas, through our sins and wickedness, we are hindered in running the race which is set before us, thy bountiful grace

and mercy may speedily help and deliver us, through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

THE GOSPEL.

John, i. 19 — 28.

THIS is the record of John, &c. — where John was baptizing.

THE EPISTLE.

Phil. iv. 4 — 9.

REJOICE in the Lord always, &c. — the God of peace shall be with you.

Christmas Day.

THE COLLECT.

ALMIGHTY God, who hast given us thine only begotten Son to take our nature upon him, and as at this time to be born of a virgin; grant that we being regenerate, and made thy children by adoption and grace, may daily be renewed by thy holy Spirit. And this we beg in the name of Jesus Christ, through whom we ascribe unto thee all honour and glory, now and ever. *Amen.*

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THE GOSPEL.

John, i. 1 — 14.

IN the beginning was the word, &c. — full of grace and truth.

THE EPISTLE.

Hebr. i. 1 — 12.

GOD, who at sundry times, &c. — thy years shall not fail.

The Sunday after Christmas Day.

THE COLLECT.

SOURCE of all light and truth, who didst send thy Son Jesus Christ into the world, that the world through him might be saved, grant, we beseech thee, that the light of his doctrine and life may shine into our hearts and dispel our darkness, and direct our steps, and lead us at last to the unspeakable glories and felicities of thy heavenly kingdom; which we beg in the name of our Saviour, ascribing to thee everlasting praises. *Amen.*

THE GOSPEL.

Luke, ii. 15 — 21.

which thou hast promised
by Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

AND it came to pass, as
the angels, &c. — his
name was called JESUS.

THE GOSPEL.

Matt. xxv. 14 — 30.

THE EPISTLE.

Gal. iv. 1 — 7.

FOR the kingdom of
heaven, &c. — weeping
and gnashing of teeth.

NOW I say, that the
heir, &c. — heir of God,
through Christ.

THE EPISTLE.

1 Pet. i. 13 — 25.

*The First Sunday in the
Year.*

WHEREFORE gird
up the loins of your mind,
&c. — which by the
gospel is preached unto
you.

THE COLLECT.

O GOD, the unfailing
source of light and mercy,
who hast brought us to the
beginning of this year, and
art sparing us to love thee,
and to keep thy command-
ments; give us, we beseech
thee, a solemn sense of the
importance of time, and of
diligence in improving the
talents thou hast placed in
our hands; and enable us
so faithfully to discharge
our duty in this life, that
when we shall appear be-
fore thee at thy great tribu-
nal, we may be found wor-
thy of that eternal kingdom

*The Epiphany, or the
Manifestation of Christ
to the Gentiles.*

THE COLLECT.

O GOD, who by the
leading of a star didst man-
ifest thy only begotten Son
to the Gentiles; mercifully
grant, that we who know
thee now by faith, may af-
ter this life have the frui-
tion of thy glorious God-
head, through Jesus Christ
our Lord. *Amen.*

THE GOSPEL.

Matt. ii. 1 — 12.

WHEN Jesus was born
in Bethlehem of Judea, &c.
— into their own country
another way.

THE EPISTLE.

Ephes. iii. 1 — 12.

FOR this cause, I Paul,
am the prisoner, &c. —
confidence by the faith of
him.

*The First Sunday after
the Epiphany.*

THE COLLECT.

O LORD, we beseech
thee mercifully to receive
the prayers of thy people
who call upon thee; and
grant that they may both
perceive and know what
things they ought to do, and
also may have grace and
power faithfully to fulfil the
same, through Jesus Christ
our Lord. *Amen.*

THE GOSPEL.

Luke, ii. 41 — 52.

NOW his parents went

to Jerusalem, &c. — and
in favour with God and
man.

THE EPISTLE.

Rom. xii. 1 — 5.

I BESEECH you there-
fore, brethren, &c. —
every one, members one
of another.

*The Second Sunday after
the Epiphany.*

THE COLLECT.

ALMIGHTY and most
merciful God, we beseech
thee to grant us thy grace,
that in all the relations of
life we may do justly, and
love mercy, and walk hum-
bly before thee; so that at
last we may be received to
the society of the just made
perfect in thy heavenly
kingdom, through Jesus
Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

THE GOSPEL.

John, ii. 1 — 11.

AND the third day there
was a marriage, &c. —
his disciples believed on
him.

THE EPISTLE.

Rom. xii. 6 — 16.

HAVING then gifts,
&c. — condescend to
men of low estate.

*The Third Sunday after
the Epiphany.*

THE COLLECT.

OTHOU most holy and
perfect God, teach us to
love one another with pure
hearts fervently; to exer-
cise forbearance and for-
giveness toward our ene-
mies; to recompense to no
man evil for evil; and to be
merciful, as thou, Father in
heaven, art merciful. Grant
this, we humbly beseech
thee, in the name of Jesus
Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

THE GOSPEL.

Matt. viii. 1 — 13.

WHEN he was come
down, &c. — was healed
in the self same hour.

THE EPISTLE.

Rom. xii. 16 — 21.

BE not wise in your own
conceits. &c. — over-
come evil with good.

*The Fourth Sunday after
the Epiphany.*

THE COLLECT.

O GOD, who knowest
us to be set in the midst of
so many and great dan-
gers, that, by reason of the
frailty of our nature, we
cannot always stand up-
right; grant to us such
strength and protection, as
may support us in all dan-
gers, and carry us through
all temptations, through
Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

THE GOSPEL.

Matt. viii. 23 — 34.

AND when he was en-
tered into a ship, &c. —
he would depart out of
their coasts.

THE EPISTLE.

Rom. xiii. 1 — 7.

LET every soul be sub-
ject, &c. — honour to
whom honour.

*The Fifth Sunday after
the Epiphany.*

THE COLLECT.

O LORD, we beseech
thee to keep thy church

and household continually in thy true religion; that they, who do lean only upon the hope of thy heavenly grace, may evermore be defended by thy mighty power, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

THE GOSPEL.

Matt. xiii. 24 — 30.

THE kingdom of heaven is likened unto a man, &c. — but gather the wheat into my barn.

THE EPISTLE.

Col. iii. 12 — 17.

PUT on therefore, as the elect of God, &c. — giving thanks to God and the Father through him.

The Sixth Sunday after the Epiphany.

THE COLLECT.

O GOD, whose blessed Son was manifested, that he might make us the sons of God, and heirs of eternal life; grant us, we beseech thee, that having

this hope, we may purify ourselves even as he is pure; that when he shall appear again with power and great glory, we may be made like unto him in his glorious kingdom; where we may ascribe blessing, and honour, and glory, and power, to Him who sitteth upon the throne, and to the Lamb for ever and ever. *Amen.*

THE GOSPEL.

Matt. xxiv. 23 — 31.

THEN if any man shall say unto you, &c. — from one end of heaven to the other.

THE EPISTLE.

1 John, iii. 1 — 8.

BEHOLD, what manner of love, &c. — destroy the works of the devil.

The Sunday called Septuagesima, or the third Sunday before Lent.

THE COLLECT.

GRANT unto us, O merciful Father, resolution

and constancy to persevere in the path of our duty to the end of our lives. Let no prospect of danger deter us from doing that which is right, nor any enticement of evil example tempt us to forfeit our hope of immortality. Preserve us, we humbly beseech thee, from every evil way, and conduct us in the paths of innocence and virtue to eternal life ; which we ask in the name and as disciples of Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

THE GOSPEL.

Matt. xx. 1 — 16.

THE kingdom of heaven is like unto a man, &c. — many be called, but few chosen.

THE EPISTLE.

1 Cor. ix. 24 — 27.

KNOW ye not, that they who run in a race, &c. — I myself should be a cast-away.

The Sunday called Sexagesima, or the Second Sunday before Lent.

THE COLLECT.

O LORD God, who seest that we put not our

trust in any thing which we do ; mercifully grant, that by thy power we may be defended against all adversity, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

THE GOSPEL.

Luke, viii. 4 — 15.

WHEN much people were gathered together, &c. — bring forth fruit with patience.

THE EPISTLE.

2 Cor. xi. 19 — 31.

YE suffer fools gladly, &c. — knoweth that I lie not.

The Sunday called Quinquagesima, or the next Sunday before Lent.

THE COLLECT.

O LORD, who hast taught us that all our doings without charity are nothing worth ; send thy holy Spirit and pour into our hearts that most excellent gift of charity, the very bond of peace, and of all virtues ; without which

whosoever liveth is counted dead before thee. Grant this, O Lord, for thy mercy's sake in Jesus Christ our Saviour. *Amen.*

THE GOSPEL.

Luke, xviii. 31 — 43.

THEN Jesus took unto him the twelve, &c. — gave praise unto God.

THE EPISTLE.

1 Cor. xiii. 1 — 13.

THOUGH I speak with the tongues, &c. — the greatest of these is charity.

*Ash-Wednesday, or the
First Day in Lent.*

THE COLLECT.

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, who hatest nothing which thou hast made, and dost forgive the sins of all those who are penitent; create and make in us new and contrite hearts; that we worthily lamenting our sins, and acknowledging our wretchedness, may obtain of thee, the God of all mercy, per-

fect remission and forgiveness; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

THE GOSPEL.

Matt. vi. 16 — 21.

WHEN ye fast, be not as the hypocrites, &c. — there will your heart be also.

FOR THE EPISTLE.

Joel, ii. 12 — 17.

TURN ye even to me, saith the Lord, &c. — Where is their God?

The First Sunday in Lent.

THE COLLECT.

O GOD, whose Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, for our sake, did fast forty days and forty nights; give us grace to use such abstinence, that our flesh being subdued to the spirit, we may ever obey thy godly motions in righteousness and true holiness, to thy honour and glory, who livest and reignest one God, world without end. *Amen.*

THE GOSPEL.

Matt. iv. 1 — 11.

THEN was Jesus led up of the spirit, &c. — angels came and ministered unto him.

THE EPISTLE.

2 Cor. vi. 1 — 10.

WE, then, as workers together with God, &c. — yet possessing all things.

The Second Sunday in Lent.

THE COLLECT.

ALMIGHTY God, who seest that we have no power of ourselves to help ourselves; keep us both outwardly in our bodies, and inwardly in our souls; that we may be defended from all adversities which may happen to the body, and from all evil thoughts which may assault and hurt the soul, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

THE GOSPEL.

Matt. xv. 21 — 28.

JESUS went thence, &c. — was made whole from that very hour.

THE EPISTLE.

James, i. 2 — 15.

MY brethren, count it all joy, &c. — bringeth forth death.

The Third Sunday in Lent.

THE COLLECT.

WE pray, O merciful God, that all holy affections may be established in our hearts, and that our lives may be adorned with all good actions; that while we live we may enjoy the testimony of a good conscience, and the hope of thy favour, and that after death we may receive an everlasting reward in the kingdom of heaven, through thine infinite mercy, manifested unto us by Jesus Christ our Saviour. *Amen.*

THE GOSPEL.

Luke, xi. 14 — 26.

JESUS was casting out a devil, &c. — last state

of that man is worse than the first.

&c. — and then vanisheth away.

THE EPISTLE.

Eph. v. 1 — 14.

The Fifth Sunday in Lent.

BE ye therefore followers of God, &c. — Christ shall give thee light.

The Fourth Sunday in Lent.

THE COLLECT.

GRANT, we beseech thee, Almighty God, that we, who for our evil deeds do worthily deserve to be punished, by the comfort of thy grace may mercifully be relieved, through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

THE COLLECT.
WE beseech thee, O Father, who delightest in mercy, and art not willing that any should perish, to grant unto us the pardon of all our sins, and a joyful hope of thine approbation; and to assist us in forsaking all our evil ways, and returning to the path of thy commandments; that when our days on earth shall be finished, we may obtain everlasting life, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

THE GOSPEL.

John, viii. 46 — 59.

THE GOSPEL.

John, vi. 1 — 14.

JESUS went over the sea of Galilee, &c. — that prophet who should come into the world.

JESUS said, Which of you convinceth me of sin? &c. — and went out of the temple.

THE EPISTLE.

Heb. ix. 11 — 15.

THE EPISTLE.

James, iv. 8 — 14.

DRAW nigh to God,

CHRIST, being come, a high priest, &c. — the promise of eternal inheritance.

*The Sunday next before
Easter.*

Good Friday.

THE COLLECT.

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, who of thy tender love toward mankind, hast sent thy Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ, to take upon him our flesh and to suffer death upon the cross, that all mankind should follow the example of his great humility; mercifully grant, that we may both follow the example of his patience, and also be made partakers of his resurrection, through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

THE GOSPEL.

Matt. xxvii. 1 — 54.

WHEN the morning was come, &c. — Truly this was the Son of God.

THE EPISTLE.

Phil. ii. 4 — 11.

LOOK not every man on his own things, &c. — to the glory of God, the Father.

THE COLLECTS.

ALMIGHTY God, we beseech thee graciously to behold this thy family, for which our Lord Jesus Christ was contented to be betrayed, and given up into the hands of wicked men, and to suffer death upon the cross. And this we beg in the name of our Mediator; through whom we ascribe unto thee all honour and glory, now and ever. *Amen.*

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, by whose Spirit the whole body of the church is governed and sanctified; receive our supplications and prayers, which we offer before thee for all estates of men in thy holy church, that every member of the same, in his vocation and ministry, may truly and faithfully serve thee, through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

O MERCIFUL God, who hast made all men, and hatest nothing that thou hast made, nor wouldst the death of a sinner, but

rather that he should be converted, and live ; have mercy upon all unbelievers and heathen, and take from them all ignorance, hardness of heart, and contempt of thy word ; and so fetch them home, blessed Lord, to thy flock, that they may be saved among the remnant of the true Israelites, and be made one fold under one shepherd, Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

the gates of everlasting life ; grant that we thy servants, having this hope, may purify ourselves even as he is pure ; and by continually mortifying our corrupt affections, may pass the grave and gate of death, to our joyful resurrection ; which we ask as disciples of him, who died, and was buried, and rose again for us, thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

THE GOSPEL.

John, xix. 1 — 37.

PILATE therefore took Jesus, &c. — They shall look on him whom they pierced.

THE EPISTLE.

Heb. x. 1 — 25.

THE law, having a shadow, &c. — as ye see the day approaching.

THE GOSPEL.

John, xx. 1 — 10.

THE first day of the week, &c. — unto their own home.

THE EPISTLE.

Col. iii. 1 — 11.

IF ye then be risen with Christ, &c. — but Christ is all and in all.

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The First Sunday after Easter.

Easter Day.

THE COLLECT.

OMERCIFUL God, by whose power thy Son Jesus Christ hath overcome death, and opened unto us

THE COLLECT.

ALMIGHTY Father, who hast given thine only Son to die for our sins, and to rise again for our justifi-

cation; grant us so to put away the leaven of malice and wickedness, that we may alway serve thee in pureness of living and truth, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

THE GOSPEL.

John, xx. 19 — 23.

THE same day at evening, &c. — whose soever sins ye retain, they are retained.

THE EPISTLE.

1 John, v. 4 — 12.

WHATSOEVER is born of God, &c. — he who hath not the Son, hath not life.

The Second Sunday after Easter.

THE COLLECT.

ALMIGHTY God, who hast given thine only Son to be unto us both a sacrifice for sin, and also an example of godly life; give us grace, that we may always most thankfully receive this inestimable benefit, and daily endeavour ourselves to follow

the blessed steps of his most holy life, through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

THE GOSPEL.

John, x. 11 — 16.

JESUS said, I am the good shepherd. &c. — there shall be one fold, and one shepherd.

THE EPISTLE.

1 Pet. ii. 19 — 25.

THIS is thankworthy, &c. — shepherd and bishop of your souls.

The Third Sunday after Easter.

THE COLLECT.

ALMIGHTY God, who showest to those who are in error, the light of thy truth, to the intent that they may return into the way of righteousness; grant unto all those who are admitted into the fellowship of Christ's religion, that they may avoid those things that are contrary to their profession, and follow all such things

as are agreeable to the same, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

THE GOSPEL.

John, xvi. 16 — 20.

JESUS said to his disciples, A little while, &c. — your sorrow shall be turned into joy.

THE EPISTLE.

1 *Pet.* ii. 11 — 17.

DEARLY beloved, I beseech you, &c. — fear God ; honour the king.

The Fourth Sunday after Easter.

THE COLLECT.

O ALMIGHTY God, who alone canst order the unruly wills and affections of sinful men ; grant unto thy people, that they may love the thing which thou commandest, and desire that which thou dost promise ; that so among the sundry and manifold changes of the world, our hearts may surely there

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be fixed, where true joys are to be found, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

THE GOSPEL.

John, xvi. 5 — 15.

JESUS said unto his disciples, Now I go my way, &c. — and show it unto you.

THE EPISTLE.

James, i. 17 — 21.

EVERY good gift, &c. — which is able to save your souls.

The Fifth Sunday after Easter.

THE COLLECT.

O LORD, from whom all good things do come ; grant to us thy humble servants, that by thy holy inspiration we may think those things that be good, and by thy merciful guiding may perform the same, through our Lord Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

THE GOSPEL.

John, xvi. 23 — 33.

VERILY, verily, I say unto you, &c. — I have overcome the world.

THE EPISTLE.

James, i. 22 — 27.

BE ye doers of the word, &c. — unspotted from the world.

firming the word with signs following.

FOR THE EPISTLE.

Acts, i. 1 — 11.

THE former treatise have I made, &c. — in like manner as ye have seen him go into heaven.

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The Sunday after Ascension Day.

The Ascension Day.

THE COLLECT.

THE COLLECT.

GRANT, we beseech thee, Almighty God, that like as we do believe thy only begotten Son our Lord Jesus Christ to have ascended into the heavens, so we may also in heart and mind thither ascend, and with him continually dwell, who liveth to make intercession for us, at the right hand of God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

THE GOSPEL.

Mark, xvi. 14 — 20.

JESUS appeared unto the eleven, &c. — con-

O GOD, the King of glory, who hast exalted thine only Son Jesus Christ with great triumph unto thy kingdom in heaven; we beseech thee leave us not comfortless; but send to us thine holy Spirit to comfort us, and exalt us unto the same place whither our Saviour Christ is gone before, who liveth to make intercession for us at the right hand of God for ever and ever. *Amen.*

THE GOSPEL.

John, xv. 26 — xvi. 4.

WHEN the Comforter

is come, &c. — ye may remember that I told you of them. gave me commandment, even so I do.

THE EPISTLE.

FOR THE EPISTLE.

Acts, ii. 1 — 11.

1 *Pet.* iv. 7 — 11.

THE end of all things is at hand. &c. — praise and dominion for ever and ever. *Amen.*

WHEN the day of Pentecost was fully come, &c. — in our tongues the wonderful works of God.

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Whitsunday.

*The First Sunday after
Whitsunday.*

THE COLLECT.

THE COLLECT.

GOD, who as at this time, didst teach the hearts of thy faithful people, by the sending to them the light of thy holy Spirit; grant us by the same Spirit to have a right judgment in all things, and evermore to rejoice in his holy comfort, through Christ Jesus our Saviour; in whose name we ascribe unto thee all honour and glory now and for ever. *Amen.*

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, who hast given us thy servants grace, by the confession of a true faith, to acknowledge the glory of thy eternal Godhead; we beseech thee that thou wouldst keep us steadfast in this faith, and evermore defend us from all adversities, who livest and reignest one God, world without end. *Amen.*

THE GOSPEL.

THE GOSPEL.

John, xiv. 15 — 31.

John, iii. 1 — 15.

JESUS said unto his disciples, If ye love me, &c. — as the Father

THERE was a man of the Pharisees, &c. — should not perish, but have eternal life.

FOR THE EPISTLE.

Rev. iv. 1 — 11.

AFTER this I looked,
and behold, &c. — for
thy pleasure thy are, and
were created.

one another ; &c. — he
who loveth God, love his
brother also.

*The Second Sunday after
Whitsunday.*

THE COLLECT.

O GOD, the strength
of all those who put their
trust in thee ; mercifully
accept our prayers ; and
because, through the weak-
ness of our mortal nature,
we can do no good thing
without thee, grant us the
help of thy grace, that in
keeping thy command-
ments, we may please thee
both in will and deed,
through Jesus Christ our
Lord. *Amen.*

THE GOSPEL.

Luke, xvi. 19 — 31.

THERE was a cer-
tain rich man, &c. —
though one rose from the
dead.

THE EPISTLE.

1 *John*, iv. 7 — 21.

BELOVED, let us love

*The Third Sunday after
Whitsunday.*

THE COLLECT.

O LORD, who never
faileth to help and govern
those whom thou dost
bring up in thy steadfast
fear and love ; keep us, we
beseech thee, under the
protection of thy good pro-
vidence, and make us to
have a perpetual fear and
love of thy holy name,
through Jesus Christ our
Lord. *Amen.*

THE GOSPEL.

Luke, xiv. 16 — 24.

A CERTAIN man
made a great supper, &c.
— shall taste of my sup-
per.

THE EPISTLE.

1 *John*, iii. 13 — 24.

MARVEL not, my
brethren, &c. — by the
Spirit which he hath given
us.

The Fourth Sunday after Whitsunday.

THE COLLECT.

O LORD, we beseech thee mercifully to hear us, and grant that we, truly seeking thine aid, may by thy mighty power be defended, and by thy gracious mercy be comforted in all dangers and adversities, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

THE GOSPEL.

Luke, xv. 1 — 10.

THEN drew near unto him all the publicans and sinners, &c. — one sinner who repenteth.

THE EPISTLE.

1 *Pet. v. 5 — 11.*

ALL of you be subject one to another, &c. — glory and dominion for ever and ever. *Amen.*

The Fifth Sunday after Whitsunday.

THE COLLECT.

O God, the protector of all who trust in thee,

without whom nothing is strong, nothing is holy ; increase and multiply upon us thy mercy, that thou being our ruler and guide, we may so pass through things temporal, that we finally lose not the things eternal. Grant this, O heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

THE GOSPEL.

Luke, vi. 36 — 42.

BE ye therefore merciful, &c. — the mote that is in thy brother's eye.

THE EPISTLE.

Rom. viii. 31 — 39.

WHAT shall we then say to these things? &c. — which is in Christ Jesus our Lord.

The Sixth Sunday after Whitsunday.

THE COLLECT.

GRANT, O Lord, we beseech thee, that the course of this world may be so peaceably ordered by

thy governance, that thy church may joyfully serve thee in all godly quietness, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

THE GOSPEL.

Luke, v. 1 — 11.

IT came to pass, that as the people pressed upon him, &c. — they forsook all, and followed him.

THE EPISTLE.

1 Pet. iii. 8 — 15.

BE ye all of one mind, &c. — a reason of the hope that is in you.

The Seventh Sunday after Whitsunday.

THE COLLECT.

O God, who hast prepared for those who love thee, such good things as pass man's understanding; pour into our hearts such love toward thee, that we, loving thee above all things, may obtain thy promises, which exceed all that we can desire, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

THE GOSPEL.

Matt. v. 20 — 26.

JESUS said unto his disciples, Except your righteousness, &c. — till thou hast paid the uttermost farthing.

THE EPISTLE.

Rom. vi. 3 — 11.

KNOW ye not, that so many of us, &c. — alive unto God, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

The Eighth Sunday after Whitsunday.

THE COLLECT.

LORD of all power and might, who art the author and giver of all good things; graft in our hearts the love of thy name, increase in us true religion, nourish us with all goodness, and of thy great mercy keep us in the same, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

THE GOSPEL.

Mark, viii. 1 — 9.

IN those days, the multitude being very great, &c. — and he sent them away.

THE EPISTLE.

Rom. vi. 16 — 23.

KNOW ye not that to whom ye yield, &c. — eternal life, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

The Ninth Sunday after Whitsunday.

THE COLLECT.

O GOD, whose never failing providence ordereth all things both in heaven and earth; we humbly beseech thee to put away from us all hurtful things, and to give us those things which be profitable for us, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

THE GOSPEL.

Matt. vii. 15 — 29.

BEWARE of false prophets, &c. — and not as the scribes.

THE EPISTLE.

Rom. viii. 12 — 17.

BRETHREN, we are not debtors to the flesh, &c. — may be also glorified together.

The Tenth Sunday after Whitsunday.

THE COLLECT.

GRANT to us, Lord, we beseech thee, the spirit to think and do always such things as be rightful; that we, who cannot do any thing that is good without thee, may by thee be enabled to live according to thy will, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

THE GOSPEL.

Luke, xvi. 1 — 9.

JESUS said unto his disciples, There was a certain rich man, &c. — into everlasting habitations.

THE EPISTLE.

Gal. vi. 1 — 10.

BRETHREN, if a man be overtaken in a fault, &c. — who are of the household of faith.

The Eleventh Sunday after Whitsunday.

THE COLLECT.

LET thy merciful ears,

O Lord, be open to the prayers of thy humble servants; and that they may obtain their petitions, make them to ask such things as shall please thee, through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

THE GOSPEL.

Luke, xix. 41 — 47.

AND when he was come near, &c. — And he taught daily in the temple.

THE EPISTLE.

1 Cor. xii. 1 — 11.

CONCERNING spiritual gifts, brethren, &c. — dividing to every man severally as he will.

The Twelfth Sunday after Whitsunday.

THE COLLECT.

O GOD, who declarest thy almighty power chiefly in showing mercy and pity; mercifully grant unto us such a measure of thy grace, that we, running the way of thy commandments, may obtain thy gracious promises, and be

made partakers of thy heavenly treasure, through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

THE GOSPEL.

Luke, xviii. 9 — 14.

JESUS spake this parable unto certain, &c. — he who humbleth himself shall be exalted.

THE EPISTLE.

1 Cor. xv. 1 — 11.

BRETHREN, I declare unto you the gospel, &c. — so we preach, and so ye believed.

The Thirteenth Sunday after Whitsunday.

THE COLLECT.

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, who art always more ready to hear, than we are to pray, and art wont to give more than either we desire or deserve; pour down upon us the abundance of thy mercy, forgiving us those things whereof our conscience is afraid, and giving us those good things which we are

not worthy to ask, but through the mediation of thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

THE GOSPEL.

Mark, vii. 31 — 37.

JESUS, departing from the coasts, &c. — the deaf to hear, and the dumb to speak.

THE EPISTLE.

2 Cor. iii. 4 — 9.

SUCH trust have we through Christ, &c. — doth the ministration of righteousness exceed in glory.

The Fourteenth Sunday after Whitsunday.

THE COLLECT.

ALMIGHTY and merciful God, of whose only gift it cometh, that thy faithful people do unto thee true and laudable service; grant, we beseech thee, that we may so faithfully serve thee in this life, that we fail not finally to attain thy heavenly promises, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

THE GOSPEL.

Luke, x. 23 — 37.

BLESSED are the eyes which see, &c. — Go, and do thou likewise.

THE EPISTLE.

1 Thess. v. 14 — 23.

NOW we exhort you, brethren, &c. — unto the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.

The Fifteenth Sunday after Whitsunday.

THE COLLECT.

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, give unto us the increase of faith, hope, and charity; and that we may obtain that which thou dost promise, make us to love that which thou dost command, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

THE GOSPEL.

Luke, xvii. 11 — 19.

AND it came to pass, as Jesus went to Jerusalem, &c. — thy faith hath made thee whole.

THE EPISTLE.

1 Cor. iii. 16 — 23.

KNOW ye not that ye are the temple of God, &c. — and Christ is God's.

— in the midst of the paradise of God.

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The Seventeenth Sunday after Whitsunday.

THE COLLECT.

The Sixteenth Sunday after Whitsunday.

THE COLLECT.

KEEP, we beseech thee, O Lord, thy church with thy perpetual mercy; and because the frailty of man without thee cannot but fall, keep us ever by thy help from all things hurtful, and lead us to all things profitable to our salvation, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

O LORD, we beseech thee, let thy continual pity cleanse and defend thy church; and because it cannot continue in safety without thy succour, preserve it evermore by thy help and goodness, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

THE GOSPEL.

Luke, vii. 11 — 17.

AND it came to pass the day after, &c. — all the region round about.

THE GOSPEL.

Matt. vi. 24 — 34.

NO man can serve two masters; &c. — sufficient unto the day is the evil thereof.

THE EPISTLE.

Ephes. iii. 13 — 21.

I DESIRE that ye faint not, &c. — world without end. *Amen.*

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The Eighteenth Sunday after Whitsunday.

FOR THE EPISTLE.

Rev. ii. 1 — 7.

UNTO the angel of the church of Ephesus, &c.

THE COLLECT.

LORD, we pray thee,

that thy grace may be always with us, to enlighten and purify, to defend and preserve us ; and make us continually to be given to all good works, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

THE GOSPEL.

Luke, xiv. 1 — 11.

IT came to pass, as Jesus went into the house, &c. — he who humbleth himself, shall be exalted.

THE EPISTLE.

Ephes. iv. 1 — 13.

I, THEREFORE, the prisoner of the Lord, &c. — the stature of the fulness of Christ.

*The Nineteenth Sunday
after Whitsunday.*

THE COLLECT.

LORD, we beseech thee, grant thy people grace to withstand the temptations of the world without, and of evil passions within ; to make daily advances in wisdom and goodness ; and with pure

hearts and minds to follow thee, the only God, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

THE GOSPEL.

Matt. xxii. 34 — 46.

WHEN the Pharisees had heard that Jesus had put the Sadducees to silence, &c. — any more questions.

THE EPISTLE.

2 Cor. iv. 13 — 18.

WE, having the same spirit of faith, &c. — the things which are not seen, are eternal.

*The Twentieth Sunday
after Whitsunday.*

THE COLLECT.

O GOD, forasmuch as without thee we are not able to please thee, mercifully grant that thy holy Spirit may in all things direct and rule our hearts ; that they may be cleansed from every thing which defileth, and always inclined to keep thy law, through our Saviour Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

THE GOSPEL.

Matt. ix. 1 — 8.

JESUS entered into a ship, &c. — who had given such power unto men.

THE EPISTLE.

Ephes. iv. 17 — 32.

THIS I say therefore, and testify, &c. — as God, in Christ, hath forgiven you.

*The Twentyfirst Sunday
after Whitsunday.*

THE COLLECT.

O ALMIGHTY and most merciful God, of thy bountiful goodness keep us, we beseech thee, from all things that may hurt us; that we, being ready both in body and soul, may cheerfully accomplish those things that thou wouldst have done, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

THE GOSPEL.

Matt. xxii. 1 — 14.

JESUS said, The king-

dom of heaven is like unto a certain king, &c. — many are called, but few are chosen.

THE EPISTLE.

2 Pet. i. 2 — 11.

GRACE and peace be multiplied, &c. — the everlasting kingdom of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

*The Twentysecond Sunday
after Whitsunday.*

THE COLLECT.

GRANT, we beseech thee, merciful Lord, to thy faithful people, pardon and peace; that they may be cleansed from all their sins, and serve thee with a pure heart and a quiet mind, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

THE GOSPEL.

John, iv. 46 — 54.

THERE was a certain nobleman, &c. — when he was come out of Judea into Galilee,

THE EPISTLE.

Ephes. vi. 10 — 20.

MY brethren, be strong
in the Lord, &c. — I
may speak boldly, as I ought
to speak.

upon every remembrance
of you, &c. — unto the
glory and praise of God.

*The Twentyfourth Sunday
after Whitsunday.*

*The Twentythird Sunday
after Whitsunday.*

THE COLLECT.

LORD, we beseech thee
to keep thy household the
church in continual godli-
ness; that through thy
protection it may be free
from all adversities, and
devoutly given to serve
thee in good works, to the
glory of thy name, through
Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

THE COLLECT.

O GOD, our refuge and
strength, who art the au-
thor of all godliness; be
ready, we beseech thee, to
hear the devout prayers of
thy church; and grant that
those things which we ask
faithfully, we may obtain
effectually, through Jesus
Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

THE GOSPEL.

Matt. xxii. 15 — 22.

THE GOSPEL.

Matt. xviii. 21 — 35.

PETER said unto Jesus,
Lord, how oft, &c. —
every one his brother their
trespasses.

THEN went the Phari-
sees, &c. — left him,
and went their way.

THE EPISTLE.

Jude, 17 — 25.

THE EPISTLE.

Phil. i. 3 — 11.

I THANK my God
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BELOVED, remember
ye the words, &c. —
dominion and power, both
now and ever. *Amen.*

*The Twentyfifth Sunday
after Whitsunday.*

*The Twentysixth Sunday
after Whitsunday.*

THE COLLECT.

O LORD, we beseech thee, absolve thy people from their offences; that through thy bountiful goodness we may all be delivered from the bands of those sins which by our frailty we have committed, and be brought into the glorious liberty of the children of God. Grant this, O heavenly Father, for thine infinite mercy's sake in Jesus Christ our Saviour. *Amen.*

THE COLLECT.

O LORD, we beseech thee to encourage the hearts of thy faithful people, that they, always relying on thy power, and trusting in thy grace, may bring forth plenteously the fruit of good works, and of thee be plenteously rewarded, both in the world which now is, and that which is to come, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

THE GOSPEL.

Matt. ix. 18 — 26.

WHILE Jesus spake these things unto John's disciples, behold, &c. — went abroad into all that land.

THE EPISTLE.

Coloss. i. 3 — 13.

WE give thanks to God and the Father, &c. — hath translated us into the kingdom of his dear Son.

THE GOSPEL.

John, x. 22 — 29.

AND it was at Jerusalem the feast of the dedication, &c. — pluck them out of my Father's hand.

FOR THE EPISTLE.

Jer. xxiii. 5 — 8.

BEHOLD, the days come, &c. — they might dwell in their own land.

If there be any more Sundays before Advent Sunday, the Service of some

of those Sundays which were omitted after the Epiphany, shall be used. And if there be fewer, the overplus may be omitted;

provided that this last Collect, Gospel, and Epistle, shall always be read upon the Sunday next before Advent.

SELECTIONS FROM SAINTS' DAYS.

Saint Stephen's Day.

December 26.

THE COLLECT.

GRANT, O Lord, that in all our sufferings here upon earth, for the testimony of thy truth, we may steadfastly look up to heaven, and by faith behold the glory that shall be revealed; and being filled with the Holy Ghost, may learn to love and bless our persecutors, by the example of the first martyr, Saint Stephen, who cried for his murderers to thee, O blessed Jesus, who standest at the right hand of God, to succour all those who suffer for thee, our only Mediator and Advocate. *Amen.*

THE GOSPEL.

Matt. xxiii. 34 — 39.

BEHOLD I send unto you prophets, &c. — Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord.

FOR THE EPISTLE.

Acts, vii. 55 — 60.

STEPHEN, being full of the Holy Ghost, looked up steadfastly into heaven, &c. — And when he had said this, he fell asleep.

The Innocents' Day.

December 28.

THE COLLECT.

O ALMIGHTY God, who out of the mouths of

babes and sucklings hast ordained strength, and madest infants to glorify thee by their deaths; mortify and kill all vices in us, and so strengthen us by thy grace, that by the innocency of our lives, and constancy of our faith even unto death, we may glorify thy holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

THE GOSPEL.

Matt. ii. 13 — 18.

THE angel of the Lord appeareth to Joseph in a dream, saying, Arise, &c. — would not be comforted, because they are not.

FOR THE EPISTLE.

Rev. xiv. 1 — 5.

I looked, and lo, a Lamb stood on the mount Sion, &c. — they are without fault before the throne of God.

The Conversion of St Paul.

January 25.

THE COLLECT.

O GOD, who through

the preaching of the blessed Apostle Saint Paul, hast caused the light of the Gospel to shine throughout the world; grant, we beseech thee, that we, having his wonderful conversion in remembrance, may show forth our thankfulness unto thee for the same, by following the holy doctrine which he taught, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

THE GOSPEL.

Matt. xix. 27 — 30.

PETER answered, and said unto Jesus, Behold, we have forsaken all, &c. — and the last shall be first.

FOR THE EPISTLE.

Acts, ix. 1 — 22.

AND Saul, yet breathing out threatenings and slaughter, &c. — proving that this is very Christ.

Saint John Baptist's Day.

June 24.

THE COLLECT.

ALMIGHTY God, by

whose providence thy servant John Baptist was wonderfully born, and sent to prepare the way of thy Son, our Saviour, by preaching repentance; make us so to follow his doctrine and holy life, that we may truly repent according to his preaching; and, after his example, constantly speak the truth, boldly rebuke vice, and patiently suffer for the truth's sake; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

THE GOSPEL.

Luke, i. 57 — 80.

NOW Elizabeth's full time came, &c. — was in the deserts, till the day of his showing unto Israel.

FOR THE EPISTLE.

Isaiah xl. 1 — 11.

COMFORT ye, comfort ye my people, saith your God. &c. — shall gently lead those that are with young.

All Saints' Day.

November 1.

THE COLLECT.

O ALMIGHTY God, who hast knit together thine elect, in one communion and fellowship, in the mystical body of thy Son Christ our Lord; grant us grace so to follow thy blessed Saints in all virtuous and godly living, that we may come to those unspeakable joys, which thou hast prepared for those who unfeignedly love thee, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

THE GOSPEL.

Matt. v. 1 — 12.

JESUS seeing the multitudes, went up into a mountain, &c. — so persecuted they the prophets which were before you.

FOR THE EPISTLE.

Rev. vii. 2 — 12.

AND I saw another angel ascending from the east, &c. — be unto our God for ever and ever. *Amen.*

END OF THE COLLECTS, GOSPELS AND EPISTLES.

COLLECTS AND PRAYERS,

TO BE USED BEFORE OR AFTER SERMON. .

The following Collects and Prayers are adapted to various subjects of discourse, and are arranged, for the sake of convenience, under several heads. The Minister is at liberty to use, instead of these Forms, Extemporary Prayer.

GENERAL COLLECTS.

O GOD, the eternal source of wisdom and purity, from whom all good counsels, all holy desires, and all just works do proceed; we offer up our humble prayers unto thee, beseeching thee to enlighten our minds, and sanctify our hearts by thy heavenly truth. What we know not, teach thou us; whatever is amiss in us, dispose us to reform; whatever in us is good, assist us to carry forwards to perfection; which we ask in the name and as disciples of Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

ALMIGHTY God, unto whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid; cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love thee, and worthily magnify thy holy name, through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

O ALMIGHTY Lord, and everlasting God, vouchsafe, we beseech thee, to direct, sanctify, and govern both our hearts and bodies, in the ways of thy laws, and in the works of thy commandments; that through thy most mighty

protection, both here and ever, we may be preserved in body and soul, through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

ASSIST us, O Lord, in all our doings with thy most gracious favour, and further us with thy continual help, that in all our works begun, continued, and ended in thee, we may glorify thy holy name, and finally by thy mercy obtain everlasting life, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

ALMIGHTY God, the fountain of all wisdom, who knowest our necessities before we ask, and our ignorance in asking; we beseech thee to have compassion upon our infirmities; and those things which for our unworthiness we dare not, and for our blindness we cannot ask, vouchsafe to give us, for the sake of thine infinite mercy in Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

ASSIST us mercifully, O Lord, in these our supplications and prayers, and dispose the way of thy servants toward the attain-

ment of everlasting salvation; that among all the changes and chances of this mortal life, they may ever be defended by thy most gracious and ready help, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

GRANT, we beseech thee, Almighty God, that the words which we have heard this day with our outward ears, may through thy grace be so grafted inwardly in our hearts, that they may bring forth in us the fruit of good living, to the honour and praise of thy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

WE offer these our prayers unto thee, O God of mercy, with a humble confidence in thine unerring wisdom and perfect goodness. We beseech thee to overlook the imperfection, and to accept the sincerity of our devotions. Of thy great mercy, grant unto us such things as shall be good for us, though we may neglect to pray for them; and deny us such things as would be hurtful to us, though we should earnestly desire them. Order all things for us, as

seemeth right in thy sight ; and do us good, both now and for evermore, according to thy promises declared unto us by Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

ALMIGHTY God, who hast promised to hear the petitions of those who ask in thy Son's name ; we beseech thee mercifully to incline thine ears to us who have made now our prayers and supplications unto thee ; and grant that those things which we have faithfully asked according to thy will, may effectually be obtained, to the relief of our necessity, and to the setting forth of thy glory, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

PRAISE AND THANKSGIVING.

ALMIGHTY God, Maker of all worlds, and Father of all men ; we adore thee as the first cause and constant disposer of all things, as our Creator, our Preserver, and our final Judge. We praise thee for all the manifestations of thy power, wisdom, and goodness, and for thy wonderful works to the children of men. Teach us

to magnify thee as we ought ; to worship thee in spirit and in truth, to bend our whole soul and our every thought in adoration, before the throne of thine unspeakable majesty. And grant, O God, that by worshipping thee aright on earth, we may be prepared to worship thee in heaven with all the true disciples of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

WE acknowledge and praise thee, O God, as the high and holy One who inhabiteth eternity. Thou art God from everlasting to everlasting, and there is none other God beside thee. Let us make thee our refuge and trust, our confidence and joy. Let us rest our hearts and our hopes upon thee, through all the scenes and trials of this our short and uncertain life ; that, when heaven and earth shall pass away, we may be found in thine eternal dwelling-place, rendering to thee all power, and glory, and praise, through Jesus Christ, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

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infinite in knowledge and wisdom, we adore thee as the great source of light, the fountain of intelligence, the Father of our spirits, and the author of all good. Though thy ways are past our finding out, we are assured that they are just and right. We would therefore submit all our desires to thy will, all our actions to thy government, and all our concerns to thy disposal; and in humility and self-abasement we would now and at all times offer up our prayers to thee, the only wise God, through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

We praise and bless thy glorious name, O Lord, for thou art good, and doest good continually, and thy mercy is over all thy works. We thank thee for all the endowments, privileges and opportunities of our nature and condition; for the instructions and consolations of thy holy word; and for the blessed hope of everlasting life. Grant that we may always look up to thee as our protector, and Father, and best friend; that we *may be ever studi-*

ous to serve thee, and anxious to please thee; and that at last we may be received to thy presence and glory, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

O THOU, who art the only living and true God, unchangeable in thy nature, universal in thy presence, and uncontrollable in thy dominion, we adore and magnify thee as the greatest, the wisest, and the best of beings, from whom all blessings proceed, and to whom all gratitude is due. We pray that we may have worthy conceptions of thy greatness; that we may entertain a deep and lasting sense of thy goodness; that we may fear thee as our Master, and honour thee as our Father; and that when we meet thee as our Judge, we may be accepted and pardoned, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

RELIGIOUS KNOWLEDGE.

God of wisdom and truth, from whom proceed all the treasures of knowledge, and who by thy Spirit hast given us under-

standing; we thank thee that thou hast enabled us to know thee in thy works, to study thy word, and to hold communion with thee, the Father of our spirits.

May we at all times be sensible of our connexion with thee, and above all things fear to degrade the nature which thou hast given us. Let us not fall from thy favour, by abusing our privileges and perverting our powers. Mercifully assist our weakness; reclaim us from our errors; enlighten our minds; purify our hearts, and give us true repentance for our sins, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

WE look up unto thee, O infinite Jehovah, beseeching thee to open the eyes of our minds, that we may discern spiritual things. May we have worthy apprehensions of thy nature and providence, and a right understanding of the gospel of thy Son. Under the influence of the great truths of religion, may we correct the vices of our minds, and amend the disorders of our lives; that by purity and righteousness, we may become

proper objects of thine approbation, and the rewards of everlasting life, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

O GOD, the Father of light, and of wisdom; let our minds be enlightened with true knowledge. From a steadfast faith in thy perfections, may we maintain a constant regard to thine administration; submit with cheerfulness to thine appointments; live in thy fear, abstain from every appearance of evil, and order our whole conversation as in thy sight. May the expectation of a happy immortality sustain our virtue in the midst of the most powerful temptations, and establish our souls in peace and joy; for the sake of thine infinite mercy in Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

O GOD, the Author of nature, whose energy sustains, whose presence animates, and whose gracious influence blesses the universe; assist us, we beseech thee, to form worthy apprehensions of thy nature and character, and, as far as our faculties will

permit, to become acquainted with thy perfections and providence. And let our conceptions of thee, produce in us the sentiments of veneration, gratitude, and submission, and lead us to a diligent imitation of thy moral perfections, and a constant obedience to thy laws, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

GRANT unto us, O most merciful Father, the spirit of wisdom and knowledge. Teach us to Judge aright concerning thee, our Maker, and the duties which thou requirest of us ; and let all religious truths deeply impress our hearts, and have a lasting influence on our behaviour. Assist us to subdue every vicious affection, and to withstand every temptation ; that we may manifest the sincerity of our repentance, by the steadfastness of our obedience ; and that, not being weary of well doing, we may finally obtain everlasting life, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

O GOD, who givest understanding to man, and instructest him out of thy

law, grant unto us thy servants such knowledge as may best enable us to do good, and a sincere disposition rightly to improve the knowledge we possess. Suffer us not, we beseech thee, to be drawn aside from our obedience to thy laws, by the love of pleasure, of riches, or of fame. Preserve in us a constant remembrance of thine all-seeing eye. Deliver us from irregular desires, vain hopes, and weak fears ; and prepare us, by innocence and purity of manners, and a steadfast faith in thee, for all the events of this mortal life, and for our departure out of this world. By the constant exercise of piety, righteousness, and mercy ; by meekness, patience, and moderation ; by truth and fidelity, candour and charity ; by an humble, resigned, and contented spirit, may we become fitted for the society of the just made perfect in thine heavenly kingdom ; which we ask in the name, and as disciples of Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

DIVINE ASSISTANCE.

O GOD, who art ever

more ready to hear than we are to pray, and who hast promised the assistance of thy holy Spirit to those who truly seek it, we humbly beseech thee to fulfil thy gracious promise to us thy servants, and grant us that light and help, without which we know nothing, and can do nothing. O guide us by thy counsel, defend us by thy might, purify us by thy Spirit, and keep us in thy fear and love continually; and thine shall be the honour, and the glory, and the praise, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

WE humbly beseech thee, O Father, to assist and direct us in the attainment of the happiness for which thou hast designed us. Lift up the light of thy countenance upon us, to illuminate our minds with thy heavenly truth, that, being purged from error, prejudice, and vice, our desires and passions may be under the continual guidance of reason, and our actions may be conformed to thy most holy laws, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

O GOD, the almighty Guardian and Friend of the righteous, we humbly beseech thee to protect our innocence and sustain our virtue, in the midst of the temptations of the world. Preserve us from all false judgments concerning the ends of living, and the way to happiness. Secure us from the influence of vain customs and evil examples; and give us that firmness and independence of spirit, which will enable us to be eminently good; that continually improving in all amiable and virtuous dispositions, and steadily persevering in a course of exemplary goodness, we may be prepared to meet our last end with a serene and peaceful mind, and to enter upon the future state with an humble hope of thy mercy, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

THE BIBLE.

O God, who in times past didst speak to the fathers by the prophets, and in these last days to us by thy Son; we thank thee for the volume of thy holy word; for the plain and ample directions it

contains ; for the sublime instructions it affords ; for the consolations and hopes it presents to the penitent, the afflicted, and the dying ; for the immortal life it reveals to man ; for the eternal glory and happiness it promises to those who love, and strive to obey thee. May we be enabled, by the light and assistance which it gives to our ignorance and frailty, to order our steps aright ; to keep thy laws and ordinances blameless ; and steadily to pursue that path of virtue and true holiness which leads to everlasting life. And this we humbly beg in the name of our Saviour Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

CHRIST AND CHRISTIANITY.

ALMIGHTY God, who didst send thy Son Jesus Christ into the world to save sinners, teach us, we pray thee, to know and to love him ; make us to be acquainted with his character, imbued with his spirit, and devoted to his cause. By our willing obedience to his commands, may we manifest our grati-

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tude for the blessings which he laboured and died to procure for us, and render ourselves partakers of that immortality which he has revealed and promised to the righteous. Let none of the temptations of the world shake our fidelity, or cause our love to grow cold ; but may we always walk worthy of the holy name by which we are called. In that name we address thee, and ascribe to thee, the God of all mercy and grace, everlasting praises. *Amen.*

WE humbly beseech thee, O Father, to assist us in setting continually before our eyes, the most holy example of thy Son our Saviour. May we faithfully imitate his purity, his humility, his meek, peaceful, and contented spirit, his entire resignation to thy will, and his diligence in doing good, and finishing the work which thou gavest him to do. May we acquire the temper as well as the doctrines of his gospel ; and help us in all things to walk worthy of our high and holy vocation, and of the glorious rewards which thou hast set

before us; through Jesus Christ our Lord, in whose name we ascribe unto thee all glory, worship, and dominion for ever and ever. *Amen.*

WE thank thee, O Father in heaven, for the blessed gospel of thy Son Jesus Christ; for the light it sheds on thy nature, character, and providence, on the path of our duty, and on the future world. May this glorious light shine into our hearts, and cheer and sustain us, and lead us through the scenes and trials of this life, to the endless felicities of thy kingdom above. Which we ask in the name of our Saviour Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

ALMIGHTY and most merciful God, who wouldst have all men to be saved, and come to the knowledge of thy truth; regard in mercy, we beseech thee, those parts of the earth where the gospel is not known, and bring them to the knowledge, obedience, and love of the religion of thy dear Son. We also pray for the whole christian world, that all

who profess the faith of the gospel, may hold it in unity of spirit, in the bond of peace, and in holiness of life. Grant that the spirit of Christ and his religion may overcome all discord, strife, and persecution; and that all his disciples, however divided in opinion, may be united in love. We entreat thee, more particularly, to assist us to govern our hearts by the blessed law of charity, that together with all our fellow Christians, we may continually become here on earth more worthy of the glorious society in heaven, where charity never faileth. Accept us, O Father of all mercies, in these our supplications, which we present unto thee in the name of Jesus Christ, the head of all things to the church, through whom we ascribe to thee blessing and praise, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

O THOU God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, give us grace, we humbly beseech thee, to act in every relation and condition of life, as thy children, disciples of thy Son, and members of the

general family of mankind. May we love one another with pure hearts fervently ; and heartily unite our endeavours to promote each other's happiness ; that, in this life, we may experience how good and how pleasant it is for brethren to dwell together in unity ; and that we may be prepared for an eternal abode in the regions of endless peace and joy, through thine infinite mercy, declared unto us by Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

O GOD, the source of all good, grant, we beseech thee, that the remembrance of the innumerable blessings which thy bounty hath bestowed upon us by Jesus Christ, may transform us into thine image, and incline us to become, like him, just and righteous, kind and beneficent. Incline us, as we have opportunity, to relieve the necessitous, to comfort the afflicted, to instruct the ignorant, to encourage and assist the honest and industrious, and to go about doing good. Animated by the divine spirit of christian charity, may

we make continual advances in our resemblance to thee ; till at length we shall be prepared to dwell for ever with thee, the God of love, from whom all happiness flows, and to whom be rendered all honour, gratitude, and obedience, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

RESIGNATION.

O MOST gracious and merciful Father, we desire to resign ourselves and all our interests to thy disposal, in the humble hope that thy mercy will never forsake us, and that thou wilt cause all things to work together for our good. We would submit patiently to thy will under all our afflictions ; and we humbly pray that we may so pass through the changes of this world, as finally to be prepared for the enjoyment of perfect and eternal happiness in the world to come, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

TEMPTATION.

ALMIGHTY and most merciful God, it is our

earnest desire and humble prayer, that thou wouldst enable us to resist and overcome temptation. May neither the allurements of vicious pleasure, nor the difficulties of a virtuous course deter us from the practice of our duty. To whatever trials our integrity may be exposed, may we have strength to preserve it uncorrupted; that, having endured temptation, we may receive the crown of eternal life which thou hast promised to the righteous by Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

PIETY AND MORALITY.

WE beseech thee, O most holy God, to endue us with a spirit of unfeigned piety toward thee our Maker, with upright and charitable dispositions toward our neighbour, and with humble and contented minds in every condition of life; and to conduct us continually to higher degrees of wisdom and excellence; that, being thoroughly purified from all vicious habits and passions, and heartily disposed to every good work, we

may be proper objects of thy favour and blessing, both in this world and that which is to come; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

ALMIGHTY God, give us grace, we beseech thee, to keep thee and thy commandments continually before us; to live as in thy sight; to walk in thy fear; to make ourselves the objects of thy love. May our principles of duty be firm; our regard to thy laws constant; our desire of obeying and pleasing thee, the first desire of our souls. May all that we do, be done to thy glory; that when this transitory life is over, we may enter into thy joy, and continue to worship and serve thee for ever and ever in thy heavenly kingdom; which we humbly ask in the name and as disciples of Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

REPENTANCE.

ALMIGHTY and most merciful Father, who knowest our weakness, and art acquainted with every action of our lives, and every secret of our

Hearts; we acknowledge in thy presence our imperfections and sins, and fervently pray that thou wouldst be gracious unto us, and forgive us, and remember our iniquities no more. And as we know, that without striving to be holy as thou art holy, we cannot expect thy favour, we pray that thou wouldst not leave us to ourselves, but wouldst assist us by thy holy Spirit, and grant unto us true repentance. Help us to renounce and forsake all that is evil, and cleave to all that is good, and to make thee and thy approbation the objects of our supreme regard; so that we fail not at last to attain that eternal happiness which thou hast promised to thy faithful servants. Hear us, O Father, and send us an answer of peace, through thine infinite mercy in Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

TIME, DEATH, AND ETERNITY.

GRANT, O Lord and heavenly Father, that as our days on earth are multiplied, our good resolutions may be strengthened,

and our powers of resisting temptations increased. Relieve the infirmities of our minds and bodies; grant us such strength as our duties may require, and such diligence as may improve those opportunities of good that shall be afforded us. Deliver us from evil thoughts; give us true repentance for the sins of our past lives; and as we draw nearer and nearer to the grave, increase our faith, enliven our hope, extend our charity, and purify our desires; and so help us, by thy holy Spirit, that when it shall be thy pleasure to call us hence, we may be received to everlasting happiness, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

LORD of life and death, of all ages and all worlds, give us to know the value of our fleeting years. While we have time, let us improve it as we ought; let us not forsake thee in life, nor fall from thee in death; and O keep us, we entreat thee, from that second death, which must come upon the heedless and impenitent. Thou who openest, and no man

shutteth, open to us the doors of thine own peculiar abode, and permit us to dwell with thee, where weakness, danger and death shall find no room. Grant this, O Lord, for thine infinite mercy's sake, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

before thee our God, and before the world we manifest that we are religious, not in name and word only, but in deed and truth; and may be trained up for everlasting life and happiness, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

CLOSE OF PUBLIC WORSHIP.

O GOD, by whose gracious providence we have been led to the knowledge and worship of thee, the one true God, and who hast appointed the public ordinances of religion for our improvement in piety and virtue; we give thee humble thanks for the privileges of this day; and we beseech thee to enable us to manifest our thankfulness to thee, who guidest us by thy counsel, by a diligent performance of all the duties of piety, righteousness, and mercy, that, keeping faith and a good conscience, and living in all godliness and honesty,

ALMIGHTY God, we humbly thank thee for the privileges of religious worship and instruction which we have at this time enjoyed. Forgive whatever thou hast seen amiss in us, and whatever may have been said contrary to the truth and to thy holy word. Accept the sincerity of our devotions, and cause the good seed of thy word to spring up, and bear a hundred fold in our hearts and lives. Teach us to love thee more and serve thee better, day by day; that when our days on earth are ended, we may be received to thine eternal joy, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

END OF THE COLLECTS AND PRAYERS.

THE ADMINISTRATION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER,

OR

HOLY COMMUNION.

While the Minister is reading the following Sentences, or such a portion of them as may be convenient, the Wardens shall collect the usual Alms for the Poor.

LET your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father who is in heaven. *Matt. v. 16*

Lay not up for yourselves treasures upon earth, where moth and rust do corrupt, and where thieves break through and steal; but lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust doth corrupt, and where thieves do not break through nor steal. *Matt. vi. 19, 20.*

Whatsoever ye would that men should do unto you, even so do unto them; for this is the law

and the prophets. *Matt. vii. 12.*

Not every one who saith unto me, Lord, Lord, shall enter into the kingdom of heaven; but he who doeth the will of my Father who is in heaven. *Matt. vii. 21.*

He who soweth little shall reap little; and he who soweth plenteously, shall reap plenteously. Let every man do according as he is disposed in his heart; not grudgingly, or of necessity; for God loveth a cheerful giver. 2 *Cor. ix. 6, 7.*

While we have time let

us do good unto all men, and especially unto those who are of the household of faith. *Gal.* vi. 10.

Godliness is great riches, if a man be content with that he hath; for we brought nothing into the world, neither may we carry any thing out. *1 Tim.* vi. 6, 7.

Charge those who are rich in this world, that they be ready to give, and glad to distribute; laying up in store for themselves a good foundation against the time to come, that they may attain eternal life. *1 Tim.* vi. 17, 18, 19.

God is not unrighteous, that he will forget your works and labour that proceedeth of love, which ye have showed for his name's sake, who have ministered unto the saints, and yet do minister. *Heb.* vi. 10.

To do good, and to distribute, forget not; for with such sacrifices God is well pleased. *Heb.* xiii. 16.

Whoso hath this world's good, and seeth his brother have need, and shutteth up his compassion from him, how dwelleth the love

of God in him? *1 John.* iii. 17.

Give alms of thy goods, and never turn thy face from any poor man; and then the face of the Lord shall not be turned away from thee. *Tob.* iv. 7.

Be merciful after thy power; if thou hast much, give plenteously; if thou hast little, do thy diligence gladly to give of that little; for so gatherest thou thyself a good reward in the day of necessity. *Tob.* iv. 8, 9.

He who hath pity upon the poor lendeth unto the Lord; and look, what he layeth out, it shall be paid him again. *Prov.* xix. 17.

Blessed is the man who provideth for the sick and needy; the Lord shall deliver him in the time of trouble. *Psal.* xli. 1.

I have shown you how that ye ought to support the weak, and to remember the words of the Lord Jesus how he said, It is more blessed to give than to receive. *Acts.* xx. 35.

Then the Minister shall say,

Let us pray for the whole church of Christ.

ALMIGHTY and ever-living God, who by thy holy apostle hast taught us to make prayers and supplications, and to give thanks for all men; we humbly beseech thee most mercifully [*to accept our alms and oblations, and*] to receive these our prayers, which we offer unto thy Divine Majesty; beseeching thee to inspire continually the universal church with the spirit of truth, unity, and concord; and grant that all they who do confess the name of Christ may agree in the truth of thy holy word, and live in unity and godly love. We beseech thee also to bless all christian rulers and governors, and grant that all who are placed in authority over us may truly and impartially minister justice, to the punishment of wickedness and vice, and to the maintenance of true religion and virtue. Give grace, O heavenly Father, to all Ministers of thy holy gospel, that they may, both by their life and doctrine, set forth thy true and lively word, and rightly and duly administer thy holy ordinances. And to all thy people give thy

heavenly grace; and especially to this congregation here present; that with meek heart and due reverence they may hear and receive thy holy word, truly serving thee in holiness and righteousness all the days of their life. And we most humbly beseech thee of thy goodness, O Lord, to comfort and succour all those, who in this transitory life are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity. And we also bless thy holy name, for all thy servants departed this life in thy faith and fear; beseeching thee to give us grace, so to follow their good examples, that with them we may be partakers of thy heavenly kingdom. Grant this, O Father, for thine infinite mercy's sake, in Jesus Christ our Mediator and Advocate. *Amen.*

Then the Minister shall say to those who come to receive the holy Communion;

YE who do truly and earnestly repent ~~you~~ of your sins, and are in love and charity with your neighbours, and intend to

follow the commandments of God, and walk from henceforth in his holy ways; draw near with faith, and take this holy ordinance to your comfort; and make you humble confession to Almighty God, meekly kneeling upon your knees.

Then shall this General Confession be made by the Minister and People.

ALMIGHTY God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, Maker of all things, Judge of all men; We acknowledge and bewail our manifold sins, Which we from time to time most grievously have committed, by thought, word, and deed, against thy Divine Majesty, Provoking most justly thy wrath and indignation against us. We do earnestly repent, and are heartily sorry for these our misdoings; The remembrance of which is grievous unto us. Have mercy upon us, Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father. In the name of thy Son our Lord Jesus Christ, we beseech thee to forgive us all that is past; And grant that we may

ever hereafter serve and please thee in newness of life, To thy honour and glory, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

ALMIGHTY God, our heavenly Father, who of thy great mercy hast promised forgiveness of sins to all those who with hearty repentance, and true faith turn unto thee; have mercy upon us, pardon and deliver us from all our sins, confirm and strengthen us in all goodness, and bring us to everlasting life, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Then shall the minister say,

HEAR what comfortable words our Saviour Christ saith unto all who truly turn to him;

Come unto me, all ye who labour, and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest.

So God loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, to the end that all who believe in him, should not perish, but have everlasting life.

Hear also what St Paul saith;

This is a true saying, and worthy of all men to be received, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners.

Hear also what St John saith ;

If any man sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous, and he is the propitiation for our sins.

Lift up your hearts.

Answ. We lift them up unto the Lord.

Min. Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.

Answ. It is meet and right so to do.

Min. It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, Holy Father, Almighty, Everlasting God ;

Here shall follow the proper Preface, if there be any specially appointed ; or else immediately shall follow,

THEREFORE with Angels, and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious

name ; evermore praising thee, and saying, Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of hosts, heaven and earth are full of thy glory. Glory be to thee, O Lord, most high. *Amen.*

PROPER PREFACES.

Upon Christmas Day.

BECAUSE thou didst send thy Son into the world, that the world through him might be saved. Therefore with Angels, &c.

Upon Easter Day.

BUT chiefly are we bound to praise thee for the glorious resurrection of thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord ; for he was offered for us, and is the Lamb of God that taketh away the sins of the world ; who by his death hath destroyed death, and by his rising to life again hath restored to us everlasting life. Therefore with Angels, &c.

Upon Ascension Day.

THROUGH thy most dearly beloved Son Jesus Christ our Lord ; who

after his most glorious resurrection manifestly appeared to all his Apostles, and in their sight ascended up into heaven to prepare a place for us; that where he is, thither we might also ascend, and reign with him in glory. Therefore with Angels, &c.

Upon Whitsunday.

THROUGH Jesus Christ our Lord; according to whose most true promise, thy holy Spirit was poured forth upon the Apostles, to teach them, and to lead them to all truth; giving them both the gift of divers languages, and also boldness, with fervent zeal, constantly to preach the gospel unto all nations, whereby we have been brought out of darkness and error into the clear light and true knowledge of thee, and of thy Son Jesus Christ. Therefore with Angels, &c.

Then shall the Minister say in the name of all them who shall receive the Communion, this Prayer following.

WE do not presume to come to this thy table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in thy manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under thy table, but thou art the same Lord, whose property is always to have mercy; grant us therefore, gracious Lord, so to partake of this holy ordinance, that our minds may be impressed with gratitude to thy dear son Jesus Christ, and that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. *Amen.*

Then the Minister, standing before the Table, shall read the following account of the Institution, from 1 Cor. xi. 23, 25.

THE Lord Jesus, the same night that he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he brake it, and said, Take, eat; this is my body, which is broken for you; this do in remembrance of me. After the same manner, also, he took the cup, when he had supped, saying, This cup is the new testament

in my blood; this do ye, as oft as ye drink it, in remembrance of me.

Then the Minister shall break the Bread, and pour out the Wine; after which he shall say the Prayer following.

ALMIGHTY God, our heavenly Father, who of thy tender mercy didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption; who did institute, and in his holy gospel command us to continue a memorial of that his precious death; hear us, O merciful Father, we most humbly beseech thee, and grant that we may receive this bread and wine, according to the holy institution, and in remembrance of the death and passion of thy Son our Saviour Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

Then shall the Minister first receive the Communion in both kinds himself; and then proceed to deliver the same to the People. And when he delivereth the bread to the People, he shall say,

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TAKE, and eat this in remembrance of Christ.

And when the Minister delivereth the cup to the People, he shall say,

DRINK this in remembrance of Christ.

When all have received the Communion, a Psalm or Hymn may be sung; and this ended, the following Prayers shall be said.

OUR Father who art in heaven, Hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

O LORD and heavenly Father, we thy humble servants earnestly desire thy fatherly goodness, mercifully to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving; beseeching thee to grant, that by the

mediation of thy Son Jesus Christ, and through faith in him, we and thy whole church may obtain remission of our sins, and all other benefits of his passion. And here we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, ourselves, our souls and bodies, to be a reasonable, holy, and lively sacrifice unto thee; humbly beseeching thee, that all we who are partakers of this holy communion, may be filled with thy grace and heavenly benediction. And although we be unworthy, through our manifold sins, to offer unto thee any sacrifice; yet we beseech thee to accept this our bounden duty and service; not weighing our merits, but pardoning our offences, according to thine abundant mercies in Christ Jesus our Lord; through whom all honour and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end. *Amen.*

Then shall the following Anthem be said by the Minister and People.

GLORY be to God on high, and on earth peace, good will toward men.

We praise thee, we bless thee, we worship thee, we glorify thee, we give thanks to thee for the various manifestations of thy great glory, O Lord God, heavenly King, God the Father Almighty.

We bless thee for sending thy beloved Son into the world to save sinners; for exalting him unto thy right hand in heaven; for all the gifts and graces of thy holy Spirit; and for the hope of eternal life.

For thou only art wise, and holy, and good; thou only art the Lord; thou only dost govern all things, both in heaven and earth. Therefore, blessing, and honour, and glory, and power, be unto thee who sittest upon the throne, and unto the Lamb for ever and ever. *Amen.*

THE grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the holy Ghost, be with us all evermore. *Amen.*

Or this.

THE peace of God, which passeth all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the know-

ledge and love of God and ing of God Almighty be
of his Son Jesus Christ among you, and remain
our Lord; and the bless- with you always. *Amen.*

MEDITATIONS AND PRAYERS.

The following brief Meditations and Prayers may be used as Guides to Private Devotion before and after Communion.

MEDITATION BEFORE COMMUNION.

ACCORDING to the exhortation of St Paul, let me examine myself, and so let me eat of that bread, and drink of that cup.

Do I approach the table of my Lord as his humble disciple; seeking his spirit and grace; relying on his word; remembering his great sufferings, and his shameful death, and his surpassing love for me and for all men, for whose salvation he suffered and died? Do I hate and renounce my sins? Am I in charity with all my neighbours? Am I anxious to follow my Saviour in loving and serving God?—I will wash my hands in inno-

cency, O Lord, and so will I compass thine altar.

PRAYER.

BEHOLD, gracious Lord, I come to thy table, as one who is sick, to the great Physician. Let me worthily receive these elements of bread and wine, and fill me, O Lord, with that spiritual food, the body and blood of Christ, of which these are the outward signs; that so evil affections may die in me, and all things belonging to the Spirit may live and grow in me, and I be preserved in body and soul, and saved from the second death, and nourished unto eternal life, through him who loved me and gave himself for me, thy dear Son Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

MEDITATION AFTER COMMUNION.

NOW that I have commemorated my Master and Saviour according to his own gracious invitation, let me meditate on the meaning of these words of Jesus, when he said Whoso eateth my flesh and drinketh my blood, hath eternal life, and I will raise him up at the last day. For my flesh is meat indeed, and my blood is drink indeed. He that eateth my flesh, and drinketh my blood, dwelleth in me, and I in him.

I trust that in this commemoration of my Lord, I have partaken of his own life, which is spiritual, sacred and eternal. I trust that his doctrine and example are within me, and that neither things present nor things to come, will dissolve the divine fellowship between him the blessed Master and me his humble disciple.

PRAYER.

AND to thee, O God, my Father, do I give thanks for this holy communion.

Grant that it may never turn to my judgment and condemnation, but that it may be, together with my other spiritual privileges, health and recovery under all weaknesses and infirmities; safety and defence against all the attacks of my spiritual enemies; vigour and strength to all my good purposes and resolutions; comfort and support under all the afflictions and calamities of life; assistance and direction under all difficulties and doubts; courage and constancy under all dangers and persecutions, in times of sickness, and in the hour of death. And be thou, O God, my Father, always with me. Grant me pardon and peace in this life, mercy and favour at the day of judgment, and a never fading crown of glory in thy heavenly kingdom. These things, for myself and for others, I devoutly ask in the name of Jesus Christ, thy blessed Son our Lord. *Amen.*

AFTER THE SERVICE IS ENDED.

LORD, now lettest thou thy servant depart in

peace; for mine eyes have seen thy salvation. Let me always hunger and thirst after righteousness; and nourish thou my soul to eternal life, through Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

THE COMMUNION OF THE SICK.

If any sick Person is desirous of receiving the Communion at his house, he shall give notice to the Minister; and all things necessary being prepared, the Minister shall there celebrate the Communion, beginning with the Collect, Epistle, and Gospel here following.

THE COLLECT.

ALMIGHTY, everliving God, maker of mankind, who dost correct those whom thou dost love, and chastise every one whom thou dost receive; we beseech thee to have mercy upon this thy servant visited with thine hand; and to grant that he may take his sickness patiently; and to restore his bodily health, if it be thy gracious will; and that whensoever his soul shall depart from the body, it may be without spot presented unto thee, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

THE EPISTLE.

Heb. xii. 5.

MY son, despise not thou the chastening of the Lord, nor faint when thou art rebuked of him. For whom the Lord loveth, he chasteneth, and scourgeth every son whom he receiveth.

THE GOSPEL.

John, v. 24.

VERILY, verily, I say unto you, he who loveth my word, and believeth on him who sent me, hath everlasting life, and shall not come into condemnation; but is passed from death unto life.

After which the Minister shall proceed according to the form before prescribed for the Holy Communion, beginning at the words, Ye who do truly, &c.

END OF THE COMMUNION.

THE BAPTISM OF INFANTS.

*There should be for every Child two or three Sponsors ;
who may most properly be Parents or nearest Relations.*

Minister.

HEAR the words of our Saviour Christ to his Apostles.

Go ye, and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost.

Hear also what St Peter saith ;

The baptism which saveth us, is not the putting away the filth of the flesh, but the answer of a good conscience toward God.

Dearly beloved,

Ye have brought this child here to be baptized ;

I demand therefore,

Will ye faithfully and earnestly exhort this child to renounce the hurtful vanities of this world, with all covetous desires of the

same, and carnal desires of the flesh, so that *he* may not follow, nor be led by them ?

Answ. I will.

Min. Will ye instruct *him* in the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ ?

Answ. I will.

Min. Will ye exhort *him* to keep God's holy will and commandments, and to walk in the same all the days of *his* life ?

Answ. I will.

Then shall the Minister take the Child into his hands, and say to the Sponsors,

Name this child.

Then naming it after them, and either dipping it in the water, or sprinkling water upon it, he shall say,

I BAPTIZE thee in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost.

Min. Let us pray.

ALMIGHTY and ever blessed God, by whose providence the different generations of mankind are raised up to know thee, and to enjoy thy favour for ever; grant that this child, now dedicated to thee by our office and ministry, may be endued with heavenly virtues, and everlastingly saved through thy mercy, who dost live and govern all things, world without end. We beseech thee to enable thy servants who are entrusted with the care of this child, to perform their duty faithfully; give them wisdom to be *his* defence against the temptations incident to childhood and youth; and as *he* grows up in life, graciously assist them to enlarge *his* understanding and to open *his* heart to the impressions of religion and virtue. This our petition we humbly present in the name of Jesus Christ our Mediator and Redeemer. *Amen.*

WE give thee humble thanks, O heavenly Father, that thou hast vouchsafed to call us to the knowledge of thy grace, and faith in thee; increase this knowledge, and confirm this faith in us evermore, that we may be enabled to mortify all our evil and corrupt affections, and daily to proceed in all virtue and godliness of living, till we come to that eternal kingdom, which thou hast promised by Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

NOW unto him who is able to keep us from falling, and to present us faultless before the presence of his glory, with exceeding joy, to the only wise God our Saviour, be glory and majesty, dominion and power, through Jesus Christ, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

EXHORTATION to Parents after Baptism, to be read or omitted, at the discretion of the Minister.

THE design of receiving infants by baptism into the church of Christ, is, to remind parents of their duty to them in their innocent

and helpless age, to train them up as his disciples and the children of God ; that as they have been the instruments of bringing them into this mortal life, they may have the comfort of contributing to their future happiness in a life which will never end.

Remember then that this child belongs to God who gave it to you, that it may be educated and fitted for himself; and if through your criminal neglect or bad example, his reasonable creature be lost, he will require it at your hands.

Instil therefore into *his* tender mind the knowledge, reverence, and love of God, the heavenly Father, and Maker of all ; and a deep sense of the duty which *he* owes to him. Acquaint *him* with his benevolent designs from the beginning, for the recovery of a degenerate and perishing world, to their duty and happiness ; and lead *him* to learn the mind and will of God for *his* salvation, from that inestimable treasure of wisdom, the holy scriptures, especially the words of Christ and his apostles ; and not from

the doctrines and inventions of men.

Check the first risings of envy and pride in *his* breast, by teaching *him* humility and a just knowledge of *himself* ; that all *he* possesses or hopes for, is from God, whose free bounty alone maketh the difference between *his* creatures. But at the same time inform *him* of the dignity of *his* nature ; of the importance of reason, the light of God within *him*, by which *he* is to govern *himself*, to restrain *his* appetites and passions, moderate *his* affections, to know the God who made *him*, to learn his will, to become like unto him, holy, just, and good. Teach *him* above all things to abhor falsehood and lies ; and to love and cultivate truth and integrity, which will make *him* amiable in the eyes of all, and acceptable to God. Tell *him* that *he* is to love and to do good to all men, because all are equally the children of God with *himself*, and the objects of his fatherly kindness and care ; that *he* is not born only for *himself*, but for others ; to serve *his* country and man.

kind by promoting truth and virtue, and the public good. Sow in *him* betimes these seeds of piety, charity, sincerity, and all goodness; for otherwise the weeds of evil will spring up in *his* heart, which ye may never afterward be able to root out. And although no pains which ye can take, can ensure success, yet whatever happens, ye will have discharged your duty, and not have the guilt and mortifying reflection of having contributed to the ruin and misery of those you love. Remember the saying of the wise man, *Train up a child in the way he should go, and when he is old, he will not depart from it.* If your labours should be successful, it will be a source of the highest and purest pleasure and satisfaction to you; and ye will have the

joy of leaving behind you those who may live and do good in the world, when ye shall be no more in it.

And may the supreme Father and Governor of all things direct and bless you in the faithful discharge of your duty, for his glory, the good of mankind, and the advancement of the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

Where there are other Sponsors who present the Child to be baptized, and not the Parents, the Minister may thus begin the Exhortation,

YE who have now undertaken the care of this child who naturally belongs to the parents, must take heed and remember that it is also a child of God, for whom it is to be educated and fitted; and if through your, &c.

END OF BAPTISM OF INFANTS.

THE BAPTISM

OF THOSE WHO ARE OF RIPER YEARS.

The Minister may begin the Service with the following Observations, relating to the Appointment, Nature, and Use of Baptism.

OUR blessed Saviour, the Lord Jesus Christ, having himself published his religion for the salvation of the world, to the Jewish nation, commissioned his apostles to complete the work he had begun, by preaching his gospel to all nations; commanding them to make disciples, by baptizing, and instructing them in his doctrines and laws.

All power, said he, is given unto me in heaven and in earth. Go ye, therefore, and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost; teaching them to observe all things what-

soever I commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, even to the end of the world.

By this direction of our Saviour, all persons are to be acknowledged as members of his church, by baptism in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. They are then consecrated to the divine service, in that religion which came from God the Father, was published to the world by his Son, and confirmed by the operations of his holy Spirit. Water is employed as an emblem of purity, or of that moral and religious improvement, in

which all our christian advantages should terminate.

Let us, therefore, as many as are here assembled, by the present administration of baptism, take occasion to establish in our minds a lively sense of our obligations to serve God, according to the gospel of his Son, in holiness and righteousness all our days.

Then shall the Minister say to the Person desiring to be baptized,

OUR Lord Jesus commanded, that all persons baptized should be instructed in his holy gospel. You, in the profession of the christian faith, present yourself to be baptized according to his institution. Do you now promise, that you will receive the instructions of the christian religion, and govern your faith and practice by its doctrines and laws?

Answ. This I now promise, and by the help of God, will endeavour to perform.

The Minister shall then baptize the Person, saying,

I BAPTIZE thee in the name of the Father,

and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost.

Min. Let us pray.

ALMIGHTY God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, regard in mercy the prayers of thy people; and bless thy servant, who hath now been acknowledged as a member of the christian church, by baptism. Incline *his* heart to receive with all readiness the doctrines and instructions of Christ, and to submit faithfully to the authority of his laws. Give *him* strength to triumph over the temptations of vice, and to be steadfast in the practice of that holiness which baptism is designed to represent; that, living as becometh a good and faithful member of the christian church here on earth, *he* may at length partake in heaven of that eternal kingdom which thou hast revealed to us by Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

WE give thee humble thanks, O heavenly Father. that thou hast vouchsafed to call us to the knowledge of thy grace, and faith in

thee ; increase this knowledge, and confirm this faith in us evermore, that we may be enabled to mortify all our evil and corrupt affections, and daily to proceed in all virtue and godliness of living, till we come to that eternal kingdom, which thou hast promised by Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

NOW unto him who is able to keep us from falling, and to present us faultless before the presence of his glory, with exceeding joy, to the only wise God our Saviour, be glory and majesty, dominion and power, through Jesus Christ, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

THE EXHORTATION.

Christian Brother,

IN obedience to the command of our Lord Jesus Christ, that all persons baptized be instructed in his holy religion ; you have now engaged, by a solemn promise before God and this assembly, that you will receive the instructions of the christian religion, and

govern your faith and practice by its doctrines and laws. May you carefully keep in mind this promise, and perform it faithfully. To this end, you are diligently and honestly to search the scriptures. These contain every thing necessary to eternal salvation ; and from these you may obtain all that information which is requisite to improve your understanding and confirm your faith. Above all, you are carefully to obey the precepts of the gospel, and to cultivate that purity of heart and affections, which all its laws, ordinances, and doctrines are designed to promote.

Having the fear of God before your eyes, be you now exhorted to discharge, with fidelity and exactness the duty you have now acknowledged. To the due observance of it may God incline your heart ; and may he bless you with success, for your improvement in christian knowledge, and holiness of life, for the honour of religion, and the glory of his holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

MATRIMONY.

First the Banns of those who are to be married, may be published in the Church three several Sundays or Holydays, in this manner ;

I PUBLISH the Banns of marriage between *M.* of— and *N.* of—. If any of you know cause or just impediment why these two persons should not be joined together in matrimony, ye are to declare it. This is the first [*second* or *third*] time of asking.

When the Persons to be married are assembled with their Friends, the Minister shall say,

DEARLY beloved, we are gathered together here in the sight of God, and in the face of this congregation, to join together this man and this woman in matrimony ; which is an honourable estate, institut-

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ed of God in the time of man's innocency ; which estate Christ adorned and beautified with his presence, and first miracle that he wrought in Cana of Galilee ; and is commended of St Paul to be honourable among all men ; and therefore is not by any to be enterprised, or taken in hand, lightly or unadvisedly ; but reverently, discreetly, soberly, and in the fear of God.

And also, speaking to the Persons who are to be married he shall say,

I REQUIRE and charge you both, as ye will answer at the dreadful day of judgment, when the se-

crets of all hearts shall be disclosed, that if either of you know any impediment, why ye may not be lawfully united in matrimony, ye do now confess it. For be ye well assured, that so many as are joined together otherwise than God's word doth allow, are not joined together by God, neither is their matrimony lawful.

*If no impediment be alleged,
then shall the Minister
say unto the Man,*

M. WILT thou have this woman to thy wedded wife, to live together after God's ordinance, in the estate of matrimony? Wilt thou love her, comfort her, honour and keep her, in sickness and in health, in sorrow and in joy; and forsaking all other, keep thee only unto her, so long as ye both shall live?

The Man shall answer,

I will.

*Then shall the Minister
say unto the Woman;*

N. WILT thou have this man to thy wedded

husband, to live together after God's ordinance, in the estate of matrimony? Wilt thou love him, comfort him, honour and keep him, in sickness and in health, in sorrow and in joy; and forsaking all other, keep thee only unto him, so long as ye both shall live?

The Woman shall answer,

I will.

Then shall the Minister say,

Who giveth this woman to be married to this man?

Then the Minister, receiving the Woman, at her Father's or Friend's hands, shall cause the Man with his right hand, to take the Woman by her right hand, and to say after him as followeth;

I, **M.** take thee, **N.** to my wedded wife, to have and to hold, from this day forward, for better for worse, for richer for poorer, in sickness and in health, to love and to cherish, till death us do part, according to God's holy ordinance, and the laws of the land.

Then shall the Woman likewise say after the Minister ;

I, *N.* take thee, *M.* to my wedded husband, to have and to hold, from this day forward, for better for worse, for richer for poorer, in sickness and in health, to love and to cherish, till death us do part, according to God's holy ordinance and the laws of the land.

Then shall they loose their hands, and the Man shall give unto the Woman a Ring, putting it upon the fourth finger of her left hand. And the Man holding the Ring there, and taught by the Minister, shall say,

WITH this ring I thee wed ; with all my worldly goods I thee endow ; and to thee only do I promise to keep myself, so long as we both shall live. *Amen.*

Then the minister shall say,

Let us pray.

O ETERNAL God, creator and preserver of all mankind, giver of all spiritual grace, the author

of everlasting life ; send thy blessing upon these thy servants, whom we bless in thy name. Enable them to perform the covenant which they have now made in thy presence. May they seriously attend to the duties of the new relation in which they stand to each other ; that it may not be to them a state of temptation and sorrow, but of holiness and comfort ; may they live together in peace and love ; and wilt thou, the God of peace and love, be always with them, and lead them in the paths of innocence and virtue to eternal life ; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Then shall the Minister speak unto the People.

FORASMUCH as *M.* and *N.* have consented together in wedlock, and have witnessed the same before God and this company, and thereto have engaged and pledged themselves to each other, and have declared the same by giving and receiving a ring, and by joining hands ; I pronounce that they be Man and Wife ; and those

whom God hath joined together, let no man put asunder.

*Then shall he add this
BLESSING.*

*Then shall the Minister
say,*

Let us pray.

O MERCIFUL God and heavenly Father, who art the guide, the support and the felicity of all who put their trust in thee; we beseech thee to bless these thy servants, and give them grace to fear and serve thee all the days of their life. May their hearts be united in the closest bonds of love and purity; may they be blessings and comforts to one another, sharers of each other's joys, consolers of each other's sorrows, and helpers to one another in all the changes and chances of the world; and grant that they may so faithfully discharge the duties which belong to the condition into which they have entered, that they, and all who may be committed to their care, may meet together in that world of perfect felicity which thou hast revealed to us by Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

THE Lord God Almighty bless, preserve, and keep you; the Lord mercifully with his favour look upon you, and fill you with all spiritual benediction and grace; that ye may so live together in this life, that in the world to come ye may have life everlasting. *Amen.*

EXHORTATION to the Parties after marriage; to be read or omitted at the discretion of the Minister.

IT will become you to consider seriously the sacred and important engagement into which ye have now entered. Marriage is the union of one man with one woman for their joint happiness, and for the pious education of children, where God gives them; and by the original appointment of God, confirmed by our Saviour (*Gen. ii. 24. Matt. xix. 4, 5, 6.*), this union is to be perpetual, to be dissolved only by death. It was intended by the benevolent

Parent of mankind, to be a source of the purest satisfactions, to soften the unavoidable cares, and increase the innocent pleasures of life, by affording opportunities of sharing them with a most intimate friend and partner. By Christians in particular it is to be looked upon as a state of perfect indissoluble friendship, in which ye are to carry your regards for each other beyond the grave, that ye may so live in virtue and holiness here, that ye may live hereafter in that state, where there will be no marrying nor giving in marriage, but ye shall be as the angels in heaven. Study then to correct what is amiss in your respective tempers and dispositions, which may disturb your mutual love and peace. And be severe censors of yourselves, but exact not too much one from another, and bear with each other's infirmities, for there is nothing perfect here below. None are faultless, but all are to endeavour to become such. Cultivate in yourselves, and in each other, the knowledge and practice of virtue and true re-

ligion, as the only foundation of present comfort and future hopes. Study the scriptures and the precepts and example of Christ, who alone hath the words of eternal life. And be not extravagant in your expectations from the world; for although it abound with many innocent joys and pleasures, yet it is not, nor is intended to be, a place of unmixed prosperity and enjoyment, but a transitory scene of trial and improvement for a better and more enduring state.

The other great end of marriage is for the well ordering of families and right education of children. This is a matter of the highest moment. For families are the nurseries and schools, in which the successive generations of men are to be instructed and fitted for their different stations and employments in life, to bear their part and burden in it, to be helpful to others, good citizens, useful magistrates, faithful husbands, virtuous wives, patterns of all that is excellent and worthy in every relation. Of a number of families united, na-

tions are composed ; and of all of them together, the whole community of mankind. And as these little seminaries are well tutored and governed, or neglected, kingdoms, nations, and the world, are happy or miserable.

Take heed therefore to set an example of piety and virtue yourselves ; and then ye may with authority require those who belong to you, to follow it. Let the God of heaven be publicly acknowledged and worshipped each day in your families. At least let not his name and worship be forgotten in it on the Lord's day. Keep a strict watch over all who depend upon you ;

and suffer no vice to go unreproved, or to remain in your house persisted in and unamended. For this would be to encourage it, and put a snare before others. By this domestic care, and godly discipline, ye will ensure your own peace, and be a blessing to your family, your neighbours, and country ; but, which is above all to be valued and sought for, ye will be approved by Almighty God, and rank with prophets and apostles in that future world, where we are told, that they who are wise, shall shine as the brightness of the firmament ; and they who turn many to righteousness as the stars for ever and ever.

END OF THE MARRIAGE SERVICE.

THE VISITATION OF THE SICK.

To be used when the Sick Person desires it.

*The Minister may begin
with saying,*

PEACE be to this house,
and to all who dwell in it.

*And he may exhort the Sick
Person after this Form,
or some other.*

DEARLY beloved,
know this, that Almighty
God is the Lord of life and
death, and of all things to
them pertaining, as youth,
strength, health, age,
weakness, and sickness.
Wherefore, whatsoever
your sickness is, know you
certainly, that it is God's
visitation. And for what
cause soever this sickness
is sent unto you; whether
it be to try your patience
for the example of others,
and that your faith may be
found in the day of the
Lord, laudable, glorious,

and honourable, to the in-
crease of glory and endless
felicity; or whether it be
sent unto you to correct
and amend in you whatso-
ever doth offend the eyes
of your heavenly Father;
know you certainly, that if
you truly repent of your
sins, and bear your sick-
ness patiently, trusting in
God's mercy, manifested
by his dear Son Jesus
Christ, and render unto
him humble thanks for his
fatherly visitation, submit-
ting yourself wholly unto
his will, it shall turn to
your profit, and help you
forward in the right way
that leadeth unto everlast-
ing life.

*If he think fit, the Minister
may proceed in his Ex-
hortation.*

TAKE therefore in good

part the chastisement of the Lord ; for as St Paul saith, Whom the Lord loveth, he chasteneth, and scourgeth every son whom he receiveth. If ye endure chastening, God dealeth with you as with sons ; for what son is he whom the Father chasteneth not ? Furthermore, we have had fathers of our flesh, who corrected us, and we gave them reverence ; shall we not much rather be in subjection unto the Father of spirits, and live ? For they verily for a few days chastened us after their own pleasure ; but he for our profit, that we might be partakers of his holiness. These words, good *brother*, are written in holy scripture for our comfort and instruction ; that we should patiently, and with thanksgiving bear our heavenly Father's correction, whensoever by any manner of adversity it shall please his gracious goodness to visit us. And there should be no greater comfort to christian persons than to be made like unto Christ, by suffering patiently adversities, troubles, and sicknesses. For he himself went not up to joy, but

first he suffered pain ; he entered not into his glory before he was crucified. So truly our way to eternal joy is to suffer here with Christ ; and our door to enter into eternal life is gladly to die with Christ ; that we may rise again from death, and dwell with him in everlasting life.

HEAR further what the scripture saith for the comfort of those who are in sickness and distress.

Then shall be repeated the following Passages of Scripture, or a portion of them.

BEHOLD, happy is the man whom God correcteth ; therefore despise not thou the chastening of the Almighty ; for he maketh sore, and bindeth up ; he woundeth, and his hands make whole. *Job, v. 17, 18.*

I remember thee upon my bed, and meditate on thee in the night watches. Because thou hast been my help, therefore under the shadow of thy wings will I rejoice. My soul followeth hard after thee ; for thy right hand hath

upholden me. *Psal.* lxiii. 6, 7, 8.

God restoreth my soul; he leadeth me in the path of righteousness, for his name's sake. Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil; for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff they comfort me. *Psal.* xxiii. 3, 4.

The Lord is my portion, saith my soul; therefore will I hope in him. The Lord is good unto those who wait for him, to the soul that seeketh him. It is good that a man should both hope and quietly wait for the salvation of the Lord. *Lam.* iii. 24, 25, 26.

For the Lord will not cast off for ever; but though he cause grief, yet will he have compassion according to the multitude of his mercies. For he doth not afflict willingly, nor grieve the children of men. *Lam.* iii. 31, 32, 33.

I am like a broken vessel. But I trusted in thee, O Lord; I said, Thou art my God. My times are in thy hand; make thy face to shine upon thy servant; save me for thy mercy's sake. *Psal.* xxxi. 12, 14, 15, 16.

I said in my heart, I am cut off from before thine eyes; nevertheless, thou hearest the voice of my supplication when I cried unto thee. *Psal.* xxxi. 22.

Be of good courage, and he shall strengthen your heart, all ye who hope in the Lord. *Psal.* xxxi. 24.

Then shall be said such of the following Prayers as may be thought most fit for the occasion.

O LORD, look down from heaven, behold, visit, and relieve this thy servant. Look upon *him* with the eyes of thy mercy; give *him* comfort, and sure confidence in thee; support *him* under all the trials of *his* present sickness, relieve *his* pains, if it seem good unto thee, and keep *him* in perpetual peace and safety; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, maker of mankind, who dost correct those whom thou dost love, and chastise every one whom thou dost receive; we beseech thee to have mercy upon this thy servant visited with thy hand, and grant that he may take

thy visitation patiently; and fit *him*, O Lord, for whatever in thy righteous providence thou hast appointed for *him*; that *he* may have cause to glorify thy name for *his* present sufferings, and find that thou, O God, of very faithfulness, hast caused *him* to be troubled. Hear our prayers, O Lord, and grant our requests, for thy mercy's sake in Christ Jesus our Lord. *Amen.*

HEAR us, almighty and most merciful God and Father; extend thy accustomed goodness to this thy servant who is grieved with sickness. Sanctify, we beseech thee, this thy fatherly correction to *him*, that the sense of *his* weakness may add strength to *his* faith, and seriousness to *his* repentance; that if it shall be thy good pleasure to restore *him* to *his* former health, *he* may lead the residue of *his* life in thy fear and to thy glory; or else give *him* grace so to take thy visitation, that after this painful life is ended, *he* may dwell with thee in life everlasting, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Instead of the three preceding Prayers, may be said the following Prayer.

OUR Father in heaven, look down with mercy and pity upon thy servant, and lay not thy chastening hand upon *him* more heavily than *he* can bear. Let *him* acknowledge, with submission and humility, that even in judgment thou art merciful, and that of very faithfulness thou hast caused *him* to be troubled. Thou dost afflict *him* with a Parent's wisdom — O sustain *him* with a Parent's love. Let thy grace be sufficient for *him* in all *his* need, and let the holy influences of thy Spirit hold *him* up in *his* weakness, and inspire *his* heart with strength, and hope, and confidence. Let not any pain or suffering, however acute, discompose the order of *his* thoughts, *his* submission, *his* gratitude, or *his* duty. Together with *his* trials, wilt thou provide a way for *his* escape, even by the mercies of a longer and holier life, or by the mercies of a peaceful and blessed death — even as it pleaseth thee, O Lord. Thou knowest all the

necessities and all the infirmities of thy servant; fortify *his* soul, we beseech thee, with spiritual joys and perfect resignation, and fill *him* with desires of holiness and of thy heavenly kingdom. Make *his* repentance entire, and *his* faith strong, and *his* hope steadfast, so that if thou dost please to continue *him* yet longer in life, *he* may serve thee with a devoted heart, and whenever thou shalt call *his* spirit away from earth, it may enter into the rest of the sons of God, and be with thee, and the holy Jesus, and the spirits of the just made perfect, for ever and ever.

O Lord, hear; O Lord, be merciful; O Lord, heal, and pity, and save. Accept the prayer now offered in behalf of thine afflicted servant. Bless all *his* friends, and reward all the kindness which is shown *him*. Forgive *him* *his* trespasses, as *he* forgives those who trespass against *him*. Bewith *him* every moment; be with *him* in the hour of death, and O in the day of judgment deliver *him*, through thine infinite mercy in Christ Jesus, our Lord. *Amen.*

Then may be said this Psalm, commonly called De Profundis.

PSALM 130.

OUT of the deep have I called unto thee, O Lord; Lord, hear my voice.

O let thine ears consider well the voice of my complaint.

If thou, Lord, wilt be extreme to mark what is done amiss, O Lord, who may abide it?

For there is mercy with thee, therefore shalt thou be feared.

I look for the Lord, my soul doth wait for him, in his word is my trust.

My soul fleeth unto the Lord, before the morning watch, I say, before the morning watch.

O Israel, trust in the Lord; for with the Lord there is mercy, and with him is plenteous redemption.

And he shall redeem Israel from all his sins.

Then shall the Minister say,

THE Almighty Lord who is a most strong tower to all those who put their

trust in him ; to whom all things in heaven, in earth, and under the earth, do bow and obey, be now and evermore thy defence ; and make thee know and feel, that there is none other name under heaven given to man, in whom, and through whom, thou mayest receive health and salvation, but only the name of our Lord Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

UNTO God's gracious mercy and protection we commit thee. The Lord bless thee and keep thee. The Lord make his face to shine upon thee, and be gracious unto thee. The Lord lift up his countenance upon thee, and give thee peace, both now and evermore. *Amen.*

Note. Any portion of the above Service may be omitted, if the Sick Person is too weak to hear the whole.

PRAYER FOR A SICK PERSON WHEN THERE IS SMALL HOPE OF RECOVERY.

O FATHER of mercies, God of all comfort, our only help in time of

need ; we fly unto thee for succour in behalf of this thy servant, here lying under thy hand in great weakness of body. Look graciously upon *him*, O Lord ; and the more the outward man decayeth, strengthen *him*, we beseech thee, so much the more continually with thy grace and holy Spirit in the inner man. Give *him* unfeigned repentance for the errors of *his* life past, and steadfast faith in thy Son Jesus, that *his* sins may be done away by thy mercy, and *his* pardon sealed in heaven, before *he* go hence and be no more seen. We know, O Lord, that there is no word impossible with thee ; and that if thou wilt, thou canst even yet raise *him* up, and grant *him* a longer continuance amongst us. Yet forasmuch as in all appearance the time of *his* dissolution draweth near ; so fit and prepare *him*, we beseech thee, against the hour of death, that after *his* departure hence in peace, and in thy favour, *he* may in thy appointed time be received into thine everlasting kingdom, which thou hast promised by Jesus Christ our Lord and Saviour. *Amen.*

COMMENDATORY PRAYERS
FOR A SICK PERSON AT
THE POINT OF DEPART-
URE.

O ALMIGHTY God and Father of mankind, with whom the spirits of just men made perfect shall live forever; we humbly commend the soul of this thy servant, our dear *brother*, into thy hands, as into the hands of a faithful Creator, and most merciful Saviour; most humbly beseeching thee that it may be precious in thy sight. And teach us who survive, in this and other like daily spectacles of mortality, to see how frail and uncertain our own condition is, and so to number our days, that we may seriously apply our hearts to that holy and heavenly wisdom, while we live here, which may in the end bring us to life everlasting, through Jesus Christ thy Son our Lord. *Amen.*

O LORD God Almighty, most holy and gracious Father, we humbly commend the soul of thy servant into thy hands, thy most merciful hands. Impute not unto *him* the follies of *his* youth, nor any

of the errors of *his* life; but strengthen *him* in *his* agony, and carry *him* safely through *his* last distress. Let not his faith waver, nor *his* hope fail; may *he* die in peace, and rest in hope, and rise in glory, for thine infinite mercy's sake in Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

PRAYER IN CASE OF SUD-
DEN EXTREMITY.

O MOST gracious Father, Judge of the living and the dead, behold thy servants running to thee for pity and mercy in behalf of this thy servant whom thou hast smitten with thy hasty rod and a swift angel. If it be thy will, O spare *him* a little, that *he* may recover *his* strength before *he* go hence, and be no more seen. But if thou hast otherwise appointed, let the miracles of thy compassion and thy wonderful mercy supply to *him* the want of the usual measures of time, and the periods of repentance, and the trimming of *his* lamp. O thou, who regardest the heart and the measures of the mind more than the delay and the measures of

time, let it be thy pleasure to rescue the soul of thy servant from all the evils *he* hath deserved, and all the evils *he* fears. Stir up in *him* such effectual contrition for sin, and fervent love for thee, as may make *him* to be accepted with thee; so that among the songs which to eternal ages thy saints and holy angels shall sing to the honour of thy mercy, it may be ascribed to thy glory that thou hast redeemed thy servant from the second death, and made him partaker of the gift of God, eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

PRAYER FOR A SICK
CHILD.

O ALMIGHTY God and merciful Father, to whom alone belong the issues of life and death; look down from heaven, we humbly beseech thee, with the eyes of mercy upon this child now lying upon the bed of sickness; visit *him*, O Lord, with thy salvation; deliver *him* in thy good appointed time from *his* bodily pain, and sanctify this thy fatherly chastisement to *him*; that if it shall be thy

pleasure to prolong *his* days here on earth, *he* may live to thee, and be an instrument of thy glory, by serving thee faithfully and doing good in *his* generation; or else receive *him* to thyself among those who have fallen asleep in the Lord Jesus, and who shall be raised by thee to endless life and happiness at the last day. Grant this, O Lord, for thy mercy's sake, in the name of thy Son our Lord Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

PRAYER FOR A LUNATIC.

O LORD, the only wise God, from whom we have received all the faculties of our souls; thou art good and righteous in all thy dispensations, though the reasons of them may be unknown to us thine imperfect creatures. We humbly beseech thee to dispel, if it be agreeable to thine infinite wisdom, the clouds in which the soul of thy servant is now involved; that *he* may regain *his* understanding, and the right use of *his* faculties. Heal *his* disordered mind, compose *his* passions, pacify *his* imaginations; prosper

the means used for *his* recovery ; make *him* tractable in the use of remedies, and willing to comply with the advice of *his* friends. But if no means can effect *his* cure, let *him* possess *his* soul in peace, and in every interval of reason address *his* prayer unto thee ; that when *his* earthly tabernacle shall be dissolved *he* may rejoice in *his* former inability to pursue the pleasures of the world, and be presented unto thee pure and undefiled. Hear our prayer when we call upon thee ; hear us for *him*, who is not able to pray for *himself*, for the sake of thine infinite mercy in Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

PRAYER FOR PERSONS
TROUBLED IN MIND OR
IN CONSCIENCE.

O BLESSED Lord, the Father of mercies, and the God of all comforts, we beseech thee to look down in pity and compassion upon this thine afflicted servant. Thou writest bitter things against *him*, and makest *him* to possess *his* former iniquities ; thy wrath lieth hard upon *him*, and *his*

soul is full of trouble. But, O merciful God, who hast written thy holy word for our learning, that we through patience and comfort of thy holy scriptures might have hope ; give *him* a right understanding of *himself*, and of thy threats and promises, that *he* may neither cast away *his* confidence in thee, nor place it any where but in thee. Give *him* strength against all *his* temptations, and heal all *his* troubles. Break not the bruised reed, nor quench the smoking flax. Shut not up thy tender mercies in displeasure ; but make *him* to hear of joy and gladness, that the bones which thou hast broken may rejoice. Deliver *him* from all disquieting fears, and lift up the light of thy countenance upon *him*, and give *him* peace, through the mediation of Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

PRAYER FOR ONE UNDER
THE DREAD OF GOD'S
WRATH.

O ALMIGHTY God, the aid of all who are in need, and the helper of all

who flee to thee for succour; accept we beseech thee, our humble supplications for this thy servant labouring under the dreadful apprehensions of thy wrath. O Lord, enter not into judgment with *him*; but make *him* sensible that though the wages of sin are death, the gift of God is eternal life; that thou wouldst not the death of a sinner, and art not willing that any should perish; that thou dost always punish less than we deserve, and in the midst of judgment dost remember mercy. Revive *his* soul with a sense of thy love, and the hopes of obtaining thy pardon, and the joy of thy salvation; that *he* may be raised from this dejection, and show with gladness what thou hast done for *his* soul; and this we humbly ask in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

THANKSGIVING FOR THE
BEGINNING OF A RECOVERY.

GREAT and mighty

God, who bringest down to the grave and bringest up again; we bless thy wonderful goodness, for having turned our heaviness into joy and our mourning into gladness, by restoring this our *brother* to some degree of *his* former health. Blessed be thy name, that thou didst not forsake *him* in *his* sickness; but didst visit *him* with comforts from above; didst support *him* in patience and submission to thy will, and at last didst send *him* relief. Perfect, we beseech thee, this thy mercy towards *him*, and prosper the means which shall be made use of for *his* cure; that being restored to health of body, vigour of mind, and cheerfulness of spirit, *he* may offer thee a spiritual oblation with great gladness, and bless thy holy name for all thy goodness towards *him*, through Jesus Christ our Saviour, through whom we ascribe unto thee all honour and glory, world without end. *Amen.*

END OF THE VISITATION OF THE SICK.

BURIAL OF THE DEAD.

When the Procession is entering the Church, the Minister shall utter these Sentences.

I AM the resurrection and the life, saith the Lord; he who believeth in me, though he were dead, yet shall he live; and whosoever liveth and believeth in me shall never die. *John*, xi. 25, 26.

I KNOW that my Redeemer liveth, and that he shall stand at the latter day upon the earth. And though after my skin, worms destroy this body, yet in my flesh shall I see God. *Job*, xix. 25, 26.

WE brought nothing into this world, and it is certain we can carry nothing out. The Lord gave, and the Lord hath taken away; blessed be the name of the

Lord. 1 *Tim.* vi. 7. *Job*, i. 21.

Then shall be said the following Passages from the 39th and 90th Psalms.

PSALM 39.

LORD, make me to know mine end, and the measure of my days, that I may know how frail I am.

Behold thou hast made my days as it were a span long, and mine age is even as nothing in respect of thee; and verily every man living is altogether vanity.

For man walketh in a vain shadow, and disquieteth himself in vain; he heapeth up riches, and

cannot tell who shall gather them.

And now, Lord, what is my hope? truly my hope is even in thee.

I became dumb, and opened not my mouth; for it was thy doing.

Take thy plague away from me; I am consumed by the blow of thy heavy hand.

When thou with rebukes dost chasten man for sin, thou makest his beauty to consume away, like as it were a moth fretting a garment; surely every man is vanity.

Hear my prayer, O Lord, and with thine ears consider my calling; hold not thy peace at my tears.

For I am a stranger with thee, and a sojourner, as all my fathers were.

O spare me a little, that I may recover my strength, before I go hence, and be no more seen.

PSALM 90.

LORD, thou hast been our refuge from one generation to another.

Before the mountains were brought forth, or ever thou hadst formed the earth and the world, even from

everlasting to everlasting, thou art God.

Thou turnest man to destruction; and sayest, Return, ye children of men.

For a thousand years in thy sight are but as yesterday when it is past, or a watch in the night.

As soon as thou scatterest them, they are even as a sleep, and fade away suddenly like the grass;

In the morning it is green, and groweth up; but in the evening it is cut down, dried up, and withered.

The days of our age are threescore years and ten; and though men be so strong, that they come to fourscore years, yet is their strength then but labour and sorrow; so soon passeth it away, and we are gone.

So teach us to number our days, that we may apply our hearts unto wisdom.

Then shall follow these Selections from 1 Cor. xv.

NOW is Christ risen from the dead, and become the first fruits of those who slept. For

since by man came death,
by man came also the
resurrection of the dead.

For as in Adam all die,
even so in Christ shall all
be made alive.

There is one glory of
the sun, and another glory
of the moon, and another
glory of the stars; for one
star differeth from another
star in glory. So also is the
resurrection of the dead.
It is sown in corruption, it
is raised in incorruption;
it is sown in dishonour, it
is raised in glory; it is
sown in weakness, it is
raised in power; it is sown
a natural body, it is raised
a spiritual body.

Now this I say, brethren,
than flesh and blood
cannot inherit the kingdom
of God; neither doth corruption
inherit incorruption.
For this corruptible
must put on incorruption,
and this mortal must put
on immortality. So when
this corruptible shall have
put on incorruption, and
this mortal shall have put
on immortality, then shall
be brought to pass the saying
that is written, Death
is swallowed up in victory.
O death, where is thy
sting? O grave, where is
thy victory? The sting of

death is sin, and the
strength of sin is the law;
but thanks be to God,
who giveth us the victory,
through our Lord Jesus
Christ.

*Then the Minister, either
at the Grave, or in the
body of the Church,
shall say,*

MAN who is born of a
woman, hath but a short
time to live, and is full of
misery. He cometh up,
and is cut down like a
flower; he fleeth as it
were a shadow, and never
continueth in one stay.

In the midst of life we
are in death; of whom
may we seek for succour,
but of thee, O Lord, who
for our sins art justly dis-
pleased?

Yet, O Lord God most
holy, O Lord most mighty,
O holy and most merciful
Father, deliver us not into
the bitter pains of eternal
death.

Thou knowest, Lord,
the secrets of our hearts;
shut not thy merciful ears
to our prayers; but spare
us, Lord most holy, O
God most mighty, O holy
and merciful Father, thou
most worthy Judge eternal,
suffer us not at our last

hour, for any pains of death,
to fall from thee.

Minister.

Let us pray.

*Then while the Earth shall
be cast upon the Body
by some standing by, the
Minister shall say,*

THE COLLECT.

FORASMUCH as it
hath pleased Almighty
God to take unto himself
the soul of our deceased
brother, we therefore com-
mit *his* body to the ground;
earth to earth, ashes to
ashes, dust to dust; look-
ing for the general resur-
rection in the last day,
when the earth and the
sea shall give up their
dead, and the corruptible
bodies of those who sleep
in Jesus shall be changed
and made like unto his
glorious body, according
to the mighty working
whereby he is able to sub-
due all things to himself.

Then shall be said,

I HEARD a voice from
heaven, saying unto me,
Write; From henceforth
blessed are the dead who
die in the Lord; even so
saith the Spirit; for they
rest from their labours.

O MERCIFUL God,
the Father of our Lord
Jesus Christ, who is the
resurrection and the life;
in whom whosoever be-
lieveth shall live, though
he die; and whosoever
liveth and believeth in him
shall not die eternally;
who also hath taught us
by his holy apostle St
Paul, not to be sorry, as
men without hope, for
those who sleep in him;
we humbly beseech thee,
O Father, to raise us from
the death of sin unto the
life of righteousness; that
when we shall depart this
life, we may rest in him;
and that at the general
resurrection in the last
day, we may be found ac-
ceptable in thy sight, and
receive that blessing which
thy well beloved Son shall
then pronounce to all that
love and fear thee, saying,
Come, ye blessed children
of my Father, receive the
kingdom prepared for you
from the beginning of the
world. Grant this, we be-

seech thee, O merciful Father, through Jesus Christ our Mediator and Redeemer. *Amen.*

Or this.

O ALMIGHTY and everliving God, we fly to thee as our eternal refuge; we rest ourselves upon thee, the Rock of Ages. We see thy hand in all the circumstances of our lives. We confess the wisdom which created us of the dust; and bow to the decree which has determined, that unto dust we shall return. Thou knowest our frame, thou rememberest that we are but dust; we therefore pray thee, help our infirmities, and pitifully behold the sorrows of our hearts. Sanctify to this family the affliction which thou hast called them to bear. Pour into their troubled minds the consolations of thy Spirit, and teach them to turn this sorrow to their eternal good. May they be still, and know that thou art God, and that thou dost not willingly afflict or grieve the children of men. May they resign without murmuring *this* object of

their love, assured that though lost to them, *he* lives to thee. May they endure tribulation as becometh thy children, and disciples of thy Son Jesus Christ. + + +

O Lord, regard all thy servants in mercy. Lead us through this valley of tears with safety and peace, with holiness and religion, with spiritual comfort and joy; that when we have served thee in our generations, we may be gathered unto our fathers, having the testimony of a good conscience, and in the hope that neither death nor life, nor things present, nor things to come, will be able to separate us from the love of God, which is in Christ Jesus our Lord. *Amen.*

Or this.

O LORD, our God, who sendest forth thy spirit, and we are created, who takest away our breath, and we die, and return to the dust; blessed be thy name for the assurance of eternal life which thou hast given us by thy beloved Son. Blessed be thy holy name for the faith which we cher-

ish, that this corruptible shall put on incorruption, and this mortal, immortality; and that when the night of the grave is past, a glorious morning will come; when thou shalt wipe away all tears from our eyes, and there shall be no more death, neither sorrow, nor crying, nor pain.

Let this immortal hope, and the comforts of thy gracious Spirit, sustain in this their bereavement, the family and friends of our departed *brother*. Be thou, O God, their refuge, and their consolation, and their sure trust. The more they are brought to perceive that things seen are temporal, so much the more may they find that the things which are unseen are eternal; that thou art faithful, and that Christ is worthy, and that heaven, and not earth, is their home. May they embrace thy promises and be thankful; may they know that thou art God, and be still.

And grant, we beseech thee, O holy Father and eternal Judge, that we may all live mindful of our

mortality, and prepared for thy will; and that when thou sayest unto us, *Return ye children of men*, we may hear the command without dismay, and obey it without reluctance; knowing whom we have believed, and persuaded that he is able to keep that which we have committed to him, against that day. We offer our prayers through him who is the resurrection and the life, thy son Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

THE grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Ghost, be with us all evermore. *Amen.*

At the Burial of the dead at Sea, the preceding Service may be used; only instead of these words, We therefore commit his body to the ground, earth to earth, ashes to ashes, dust to dust; looking for, &c. shall be said, We therefore commit his body to the deep, to be turned into corruption; looking for, &c.

A SELECTION
FROM THE
PSALMS OF DAVID.

The First Day.

MORNING PRAYER.

PSALM 1.

BLESSED is the man who walketh not in the counsel of the ungodly, nor standeth in the way of sinners, nor sitteth in the seat of the scornful.

But his delight is in the law of the Lord, and in his law doth he exercise himself day and night.

And he shall be like a tree planted by the water side, that will bring forth his fruit in due season.

His leaf also shall not wither; and whatsoever he doeth, it shall prosper.

As for the ungodly, it is not so with them; but they are like the chaff which the wind scattereth away.

Therefore the ungodly shall not be able to stand in the judgment; neither the sinners in the congregation of the righteous.

For the Lord knoweth the way of the righteous; but the way of the ungodly shall perish.

PSALM 3.

LORD, how are they increased who trouble me! many are they who rise up against me.

Many there be who say of my soul, There is no help for him in his God.

But thou, O Lord, art

my defender ; thou art my glory, and the lifter up of my head.

I did call upon the Lord with my voice, and he heard me out of his holy hill.

I laid me down and slept, and rose up again ; for the Lord sustained me.

Salvation belongeth unto the Lord, and thy blessing is upon thy people.

PSALM 4.

HEAR me when I call, O God of my righteousness ; thou hast set me at liberty when I was in trouble ; have mercy upon me, and hearken unto my prayer.

O ye sons of men, how long will ye turn my glory into shame, and have such pleasure in vanity, and seek after falsehood ?

Know this, that the Lord hath chosen to himself the man who is godly ; when I call upon the Lord he will hear me.

Stand in awe, and sin not ; commune with your own heart, and in your chamber, and be still.

Offer the sacrifice of righteousness, and put your trust in the Lord.

There be many who say, Who will show us any good ?

Lord, lift thou up the light of thy countenance upon us.

Thou hast put gladness in my heart, more than when their corn, and wine, and oil, increased.

I will lay me down in peace, and take my rest, for it is thou, O Lord, only, who makest me dwell in safety.

Now unto the King eternal, &c.

Be honour and glory, &c.

EVENING PRAYER.

PSALM 5.

GIVE ear unto my words, O Lord ; consider my meditation.

O hearken thou unto the voice of my calling, my King and my God ; for unto thee will I make my prayer.

My voice shalt thou hear betimes, O Lord ; early in the morning will I direct my prayer unto thee, and will look up.

For thou art a God who hast no pleasure in wickedness ; neither shall any evil dwell with thee.

Such as be foolish shall not stand in thy sight; for thou hatest all those who work vanity.

Thou shalt destroy those who speak falsehood; the Lord will abhor both the bloodthirsty and deceitful man.

But as for me, I will come into thy house, even upon the multitude of thy mercy; and in thy fear will I worship toward thy holy temple.

Lead me, O Lord, in thy righteousness, because of mine enemies; make thy way plain before my face.

Let all those who put their trust in thee rejoice; they shall ever be giving of thanks, because thou defendest them; they who love thy name shall be joyful in thee.

For thou, Lord, wilt give thy blessing unto the righteous; and with thy favourable kindness wilt thou defend him as with a shield.

PSALM 7.

O LORD my God, in thee have I put my trust; save me from all those who persecute me, and deliver me;

Lest he devour my soul like a lion, and tear it in pieces, while there is none to help.

O Lord my God, if I have done this thing; or if there be any wickedness in my hands;

If I have rewarded evil unto him who dealt friendly with me; (yea, I have delivered him who without any cause is mine enemy;)

Then let mine enemy persecute my soul, and take it; yea, let him tread my life down upon the earth, and lay mine honour in the dust.

The Lord shall judge the people; give sentence with me, O Lord, according to my righteousness, and according to the innocency that is in me.

O let the wickedness of the ungodly come to an end; but guide thou the just.

For the righteous God trieth the very hearts and reins.

My help cometh of God, who preserveth those who are true of heart.

God is a righteous judge; and God is provoked every day.

I will give thanks unto the Lord, according to his

righteousness ; and I will praise the name of the Lord most high.

Now unto the King eternal, &c.

Be honour and glory, &c.



The Second Day.

MORNING PRAYER.

PSALM 8.

O LORD our Governor, how excellent is thy name in all the world ! thou who hast set thy glory above the heavens !

Out of the mouth of very babes and sucklings hast thou ordained strength, because of thine enemies ; that thou mightest still the enemy and the revengful.

When I consider thy heavens, even the work of thy fingers ; the moon and the stars which thou hast ordained ;

What is man, that thou art mindful of him ? and the son of man, that thou visitest him ?

Thou madest him a little lower than the angels, and hast crowned him with glory and honour.

Thou makest him to have dominion over the

works of thy hands ; and thou hast put all things under his feet ;

All sheep and oxen, yea, and the beasts of the field ;

The fowls of the air, and the fishes of the sea, and whatsoever passeth through the paths of the seas.

O Lord our Governor, how excellent is thy name in all the world !

PSALM 9.

I WILL give thanks unto thee, O Lord, with my whole heart ; I will speak of all thy marvellous works.

I will be glad and rejoice in thee ; I will sing praise to thy names, O thou Most High.

Thou hast rebuked the heathen, and destroyed the ungodly ; thou hast put out their name for ever and ever.

Desolations have consumed the enemy for ever ; and as to the cities which thou hast destroyed, their memory is perished with them.

But the Lord shall endure for ever ; he hath prepared his throne for judgment.

And he shall judge the world in righteousness, and minister true judgment unto the people.

The Lord also will be a defence for the oppressed, even a refuge in time of trouble.

And they who know thy name, will put their trust in thee; for thou, Lord, hast never failed those who seek thee.

O praise the Lord who dwelleth in Sion; show the people of his doings.

For when he maketh inquisition for blood, he remembereth them, and forgetteth not the complaint of the poor.

The heathen are sunk down in the pit that they made; in the same net which they hid privily, is their own foot taken.

The Lord is known to execute judgment; the ungodly is ensnared in the work of his own hands.

The wicked shall be turned into the pit, and all the people who forget God.

For the poor shall not always be forgotten; the patient abiding of the meek shall not perish for ever.

Arise, O Lord, and let not man prevail; let the

heathen be judged in thy sight.

Put them in fear, O Lord; that the heathen may know themselves to be but men.

Now unto the King eternal, &c.

Be honour and glory, &c.



EVENING PRAYER.

PSALM 11.

IN the Lord put I my trust; how say ye then to my soul, that she should flee as a bird unto the hill?

For lo the ungodly bend their bow, and make ready their arrows within the quiver, that they may privily shoot at those who are true of heart.

If the foundation be cast down, what can the righteous do?

The Lord is in his holy temple; the Lord's throne is in heaven.

His eyes consider the poor; and his eyelids try the children of men.

The Lord trieth the righteous; but the ungodly and him who delighteth in wickedness, doth his soul abhor.

Upon the ungodly he

shall rain snares, fire and brimstone, storm and tempest; this shall be the portion of their cup.

For the righteous Lord loveth righteousness; his countenance will behold the thing that is just.

PSALM 12.

HELP, Lord, for the godly man ceaseth, for the faithful fail from among the children of men.

They speak vanity every one with his neighbour; they do but flatter with their lips, and dissemble in their double heart.

The Lord shall root out all deceitful lips, and the tongue that speaketh proud things;

Who have said, With our tongue will we prevail; we are they who ought to speak; who is lord over us?

Now for the oppression of the needy, and because of the deep sighing of the poor;

I will arise, saith the Lord, and will help every one from him who swelleth against him, and will set him at rest.

The words of the Lord are pure words; even as the silver which from the

earth is tried, and purified seven times in the fire.

Thou shalt keep them, O Lord; thou shalt preserve them from this generation for ever.

PSALM 15.

LORD, who shall dwell in thy tabernacle? or who shall rest upon thy holy hill?

Even he who leadeth an uncorrupt life, and doeth the thing which is right, and speaketh the truth from his heart.

He who hath used no deceit in his tongue, nor done evil to his neighbour, nor slandered his neighbour.

He who despiseth a worthless person, but honoureth those who fear the Lord.

He who sweareth unto his neighbour, and disappointeth him not, though it were to his own hindrance.

He who hath not given his money upon usury, nor taken a bribe against the innocent.

Whoso doeth these things shall never fall.

PSALM 16.

PRESERVE me, O God; for in thee have I put my trust.

O my soul, thou hast said unto the Lord, Thou art my God; my good deeds are nothing unto thee;

But to the saints who are on the earth, and to the excellent, in whom is all my delight.

They who run after another god, shall have great trouble.

¶ Their drink offerings of blood will I not offer; neither make mention of their names with my lips.

The Lord himself is the portion of mine inheritance, and of my cup; thou shalt maintain my lot.

The lot is fallen unto me in a fair ground; yea, I have a goodly heritage.

I will thank the Lord for giving me warning; my secret thoughts also instruct me in the night season.

I have set the Lord alway before me; for he is on my right hand, therefore I shall not fall.

Wherefore my heart was glad, and my tongue rejoiced; my flesh also shall rest in hope.

For why? thou shalt not leave my soul in the grave; neither shalt thou suffer

thy holy one to see corruption.

Thou shalt show me the path of life; in thy presence is fulness of joy; and at thy right hand there are pleasures for evermore.

Now unto the King eternal, &c.

Be honour and glory, &c.

The Third Day.

MORNING PRAYER.

PSALM 18.

I WILL love thee, O Lord, my strength; the Lord is my rock, and my defence; my Saviour, my God, and my might, in whom I will trust; my buckler, the horn also of my salvation, and my refuge.

I will call upon the Lord, who is worthy to be praised; so shall I be safe from mine enemies.

When the waves of death compassed me, and the floods of ungodliness made me afraid;

When the sorrows of the grave surrounded me, and the toils of death overtook me;

In my distress I called upon the Lord, and cried unto my God.

So he heard my voice out of his holy temple ; and my complaint came before him, even into his ears.

Then the earth trembled and quaked ; the very foundations also of the hills shook, and were removed, because he was wroth.

There went a smoke out in his presence, and a consuming fire out of his mouth ; so that coals were kindled at it.

He bowed the heavens also, and came down ; and it was dark under his feet.

He rode upon the cherubim, and did fly ; he came flying upon the wings of the wind.

He made darkness his pavilion ; his tent round about him was dark waters and thick clouds of the skies.

At the brightness of his presence black clouds swept along, bolts of fire were kindled.

The Lord also thundered in the heaven, and the Highest gave his voice, hailstones, and coals of fire.

He sent out his arrows, and scattered them ; he

cast forth lightnings, and destroyed them.

The springs of waters were seen, and the foundations of the round world were discovered at thy chiding, O Lord, at the blasting of the breath of thy displeasure.

He sent down from above ; he took me, he drew me out of many waters.

He delivered me from my strongest enemy, and from those who hated me ; for they were too mighty for me.

They assaulted me in the day of my trouble ; but the Lord was my upholder.

He brought me forth also into a place of liberty ; he brought me forth, even because he had a favour unto me.

The Lord rewarded me according to my righteous dealings ; according to the cleanness of my hands did he recompense me.

For I have kept the ways of the Lord, and have not wickedly departed from my God.

For all his judgments were before me, and I did not put away his statutes from me.

I was also upright before

him; and I kept myself from iniquity.

Therefore hath the Lord rewarded me according to my righteous dealing, according to the cleanness of my hands in his sight.

With the merciful thou wilt show thyself merciful; with an upright man thou wilt show thyself upright.

With the pure thou wilt show thyself pure, and with the froward thou wilt deal according to their frowardness.

For thou wilt save the people who are in adversity; and wilt bring down the high looks of the proud.

Thou also wilt light my candle; the Lord my God will make my darkness to be light.

The way of God is an undefiled way; the word of the Lord is tried; he is the defender of all who put their trust in him.

For who is God, but the Lord? or who hath any strength, except our God?

It is God who girdeth me with strength, and maketh my way perfect.

Thou hast given me the shield of thy salvation; thy right hand also hath holden me up, and thy loving

correction hath made me great.

Thou hast enlarged my steps under me, so that my feet shall not slide.

The Lord liveth, and blessed be my strong helper; and praised be the God of my salvation.

It is he who delivereth me from mine enemies, and setteth me up above mine adversaries; thou shalt rid me from the wicked man.

For this cause will I give thanks unto thee, O Lord, among the Gentiles, and sing praises unto thy name.

Now unto the King eternal, &c.

Be honour and glory, &c.



EVENING PRAYER.

PSALM 19.

THE heavens declare the glory of God; and the firmament sheweth his handy work.

Day unto day uttereth speech; night unto night sheweth knowledge.

There is no speech nor language where their voice is not heard.

Their sounds are gone out into all lands; and

their words into the ends
of the world.

In them hath he set a
tabernacle for the sun,
who cometh forth as a
bridegroom out of his
chamber, and rejoiceth as
a giant to run his course.

He goeth forth from the
uttermost part of the hea-
ven, and his circuit is unto
the end of it again; and
there is nothing hid from
his heat.

The law of the Lord is
an undefiled law, convert-
ing the soul; the testimony
of the Lord is sure, and
giveth wisdom unto the
simple.

The statutes of the
Lord are right, and rejoice
the heart; the command-
ment of the Lord is pure,
and giveth light unto the
eyes.

The fear of the Lord is
clean, and endureth for
ever; the judgments of
the Lord are true, and
righteous altogether.

More to be desired are
they than gold, yea, than
much fine gold; sweeter
also than honey, and the
honeycomb.

Moreover, by them is
thy servant taught; and in
keeping of them there is
great reward.

Who can tell how oft
he offendeth? O cleanse
thou me from my secret
faults.

Keep thy servant also
from presumptuous sins,
lest they get the dominion
over me; so shall I be un-
defiled, and innocent from
the great offence.

Let the words of my
mouth, and the meditation
of my heart, be always ac-
ceptable in thy sight.

O Lord, my strength,
and my redeemer.

PSALM 20.

THE Lord hear thee in
the day of trouble; the
name of the God of Jacob
defend thee;

Send thee help from the
sanctuary, and strengthen
thee out of Sion;

Grant thee thy heart's
desire, and fulfil all thy
mind.

We will rejoice in thy
salvation, and triumph in
the name of the Lord our
God; the Lord perform
all thy petitions.

Now know I, that the
Lord helpeth his anointed,
and will hear him from his
holy heaven, even with
the wholesome strength
of his right hand.

Some put their trust in

chariots, and some in horses ; but we will remember the name of the Lord our God.

They are brought down, and fallen ; but we are risen, and stand upright.

Save, Lord, and hear us, O King of heaven, when we call upon thee.

Now unto the King eternal, &c.

Be honour and glory, &c.

The Fourth Day.

MORNING PRAYER.

PSALM 23.

THE Lord is my shepherd ; therefore can I lack nothing.

He maketh me to lie down in green pastures, he leadeth me beside the still waters.

He restoreth my soul, and bringeth me forth in the paths of righteousness for his name's sake.

Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil ; for thou art with me, thy rod and thy staff comfort me.

Thou preparest a table

before me in the presence of mine enemies ; thou anointest my head with oil, and my cup runneth over.

Surely thy loving kindness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life ; and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.

PSALM 24.

THE earth is the Lord's, and all that therein is ; the world, and they who dwell therein.

For he hath founded it upon the seas, and established it upon the floods.

Who shall ascend into the hill of the Lord ? or who shall rise up in his holy place ?

Even he who hath clean hands and a pure heart, and who hath not lifted up his mind unto vanity, nor sworn deceitfully.

He shall receive a blessing from the Lord, and righteousness from the God of his salvation.

This is the generation of those who seek him, even of those who seek thy face, O Jacob.

Lift up your heads, O ye gates, and be ye lifted up, ye everlasting doors ;

and the King of glory shall come in.

Who is the King of glory ? It is the Lord, strong and mighty, even the Lord mighty in battle.

Lift up your heads, O ye gates, and be ye lifted up, ye everlasting doors ; and the King of glory shall come in.

Who is the King of glory ? Even the Lord of hosts, he is the King of glory.

Now unto the King eternal, &c.

Be honour and glory, &c.

EVENING PRAYER.

PSALM 25.

UNTO thee, O Lord, will I lift up my soul ; my God, I have put my trust in thee ; O let me not be confounded, neither let mine enemies triumph over me.

For all they who hope in thee, shall not be ashamed ; but such as transgress without a cause shall be put to confusion.

Show me thy ways, O Lord, and teach me thy paths.

Lead me forth in thy

truth, and teach me ; for thou art the God of my salvation ; in thee hath been my hope all the day long.

Call to remembrance, O Lord, thy tender mercies, and thy loving kindnesses, which have been ever of old.

O remember not the sins and offences of my youth ; but according to thy mercy think thou upon me, for thy goodness' sake, O Lord.

Gracious and righteous is the Lord ; therefore will he teach sinners in the way.

Those who are meek shall he guide in judgment ; and such as are gentle, them shall he teach his way.

All the paths of the Lord are mercy and truth, unto such as keep his covenant and his testimonies.

For thy name's sake, O Lord, be merciful unto my sin, for it is great.

What man is he who feareth the Lord ? him shall he teach in the way that he shall choose.

His soul shall dwell at ease ; and his seed shall inherit the land.

The secret of the Lord

is among those who fear him; and he will show them his covenant.

Mine eyes are ever looking unto the Lord, for he shall pluck my feet out of the net.

Turn thee unto me, and have mercy upon me; for I am desolate and in misery.

The sorrows of my heart are enlarged; O bring thou me out of my troubles.

Look upon my adversity and misery, and forgive me all my sin.

O keep my soul, and deliver me; let me not be confounded; for I have put my trust in thee.

Let perfectness and righteous dealing preserve me; for my hope hath been in thee.

Deliver Israel, O God, out of all his troubles.

Now unto the King eternal, &c.

Be honour and glory, &c.



The Fifth Day.

MORNING PRAYER.

PSALM 26.

BE thou my judge, O

Lord, for I have walked innocently; my trust hath been also in the Lord; therefore shall I not fall.

Examine me, O Lord, and prove me; try my reins and my heart.

For thy loving kindness is ever before mine eyes, and I will walk in thy truth.

I have not dwelt with vain persons; neither will I have fellowship with the deceitful.

I have hated the congregation of the wicked; and will not sit among the ungodly.

I will wash my hands in innocency, O Lord, and so will I go to thine altar;

That I may show the voice of thanksgiving, and tell of all thy wondrous works.

Lord, I have loved the habitation of thy house, and the place where thine honour dwelleth.

O shut not up my soul with the sinners, nor my life with the blood thirsty;

In whose hands is wickedness, and their right hand is full of bribes.

But as for me, I will walk innocently; O deliver me, and be merciful unto me. ♦

My foot standeth right ;
I will praise the Lord in
the congregations.

PSALM 27.

THE Lord is my light
and my salvation ; whom
then shall I fear ? The
Lord is the strength of my
life ; of whom then shall I
be afraid ?

Though an host of men
encamp against me, yet
shall not my heart be
afraid ; and though there
rise up war against me,
yet will I put my trust in
him.

One thing have I desired
of the Lord, which I will
seek after ; even that I may
dwell in the house of the
Lord all the days of my
life, to behold the fair
beauty of the Lord, and
to visit his temple.

For in the time of trou-
ble he shall hide me in his
tabernacle ; yea, in the se-
cret place of his dwelling
shall he hide me, and set
me upon a rock of stone.

Therefore will I offer in
his dwelling an oblation
with great gladness ; I will
sing and speak praises un-
to the Lord.

Hearken unto my voice,
O Lord, when I cry unto
thee ; have mercy upon
me, and hear me.

When thou saidst, Seek
ye my face ; my heart said
unto thee, Thy face, Lord,
will I seek.

O hide thou not thy face
from me, nor cast thy ser-
vant away in displeasure.

Thou hast been my suc-
cour ; leave me not, neither
forsake me, O God of
my salvation.

Though my father and
my mother forsake me,
yet the Lord taketh me
up.

Teach me thy way, O
Lord, and lead me in the
right way, because of mine
enemies.

I should utterly have
fainted, but that I believe
verily to see the goodness
of the Lord in the land of
the living.

O tarry thou the Lord's
leisure ; be strong and he
shall comfort thine heart ;
and put thou thy trust in
the Lord.

Now unto the King eter-
nal, &c.

Be honour and glory, &c.



EVENING PRAYER.

PSALM 28.

UNTO thee will I cry,
O Lord my strength ; be
not silent to me : lest if

thou make as though thou hearest not, I become like those who go down into the pit.

Hear the voice of my humble petitions when I cry unto thee, when I hold up my hands toward the mercy seat of thy holy temple.

O pluck me not away, neither destroy me with the ungodly and wicked doers, who speak friendly to their neighbours, but imagine mischief in their hearts.

Praised be the Lord, for he hath heard the voice of my humble petitions.

The Lord is my strength and my shield; my heart trusted in him, and I am helped; therefore my heart danceth for joy, and in my song will I praise him.

The Lord is my strength, and he is the wholesome defence of his anointed.

O save thy people and give thy blessing unto thine inheritance; feed them, and set them up for ever.

PSALM 29.

GIVE unto the Lord, O ye mighty, give unto the Lord glory and strength.

Give the Lord the honour due unto his name; worship the Lord with holy worship.

The voice of the Lord is upon the waters, the voice of the glorious God; the Lord thundereth over the great waters.

The voice of the Lord is mighty; the voice of the Lord is a glorious voice.

The voice of the Lord breaketh the cedar trees; yea, the Lord breaketh the cedars of Lebanon.

The voice of the Lord divideth the flames of fire; the voice of the Lord shaketh the wilderness; yea, the Lord shaketh the wilderness of Kadesh.

The voice of the Lord causeth the oaks to quake, and layeth bare the forests; in his temple doth every man speak of his honour.

The Lord sitteth above the water flood; and the Lord remaineth a king for ever.

The Lord will give strength unto his people; the Lord will give his people the blessing of peace.

Now unto the King eternal, &c.

Be honour and glory, &c.

The Sixth Day.

MORNING PRAYER.

PSALM 30.

I WILL magnify thee,
O Lord; for thou hast set
me up, and not made my
foes to triumph over me.

O Lord my God, I cried
unto thee, and thou hast
healed me.

Thou, Lord, hast brought
my soul from the grave;
thou hast kept my life from
those who go down to the
pit.

Sing praises unto the
Lord, O ye saints of his,
and give thanks unto him
for a remembrance of his
holiness.

For his wrath endureth
but the twinkling of an
eye; and in his favour is
life; heaviness may endure
for a night, but joy cometh
in the morning.

And in my prosperity I
said, I shall never be re-
moved; thou, Lord, of
thy goodness hast made my
hill so strong.

Thou didst turn thy face
from me, and I was trou-
bled.

Then I cried unto thee,
O Lord, and besought the
Lord right humbly.

What profit is there in

my blood, when I go down
to the pit?

Shall the dust give
thanks unto thee? or shall
it declare thy truth?

Hear, O Lord, and have
mercy upon me; Lord, be
thou my helper.

Thou hast turned my
heaviness into joy; thou
hast put off my sackcloth,
and girded me with glad-
ness.

Therefore shall every
good man sing thy praise
without ceasing; O my
God, I will give thanks un-
to thee for ever.

PSALM 31.

IN thee, O Lord, do I
put my trust; let me never
be put to confusion; de-
liver me in thy righteous-
ness.

Bow down thine ear to
me; make haste to deliver
me.

And be thou my strong
rock, and house of defence,
that thou mayst save me.

For thou art my strong
rock and my castle; be
thou also my guide, and
lead me for thy name's
sake.

Into thy hands I com-
mend my spirit; for thou
hast redeemed me, O Lord,
thou God of truth.

I have hated those who regard superstitious vanities, and my trust hath been in the Lord.

I will be glad and rejoice in thy mercy ; for thou hast considered my trouble, and hast known my soul in adversities.

O how plentiful is thy goodness which thou hast laid up for those who fear thee, and that thou hast prepared for those who put their trust in thee, even before the sons of men !

Thou shalt hide them in the place of thine own presence from the insults of men ; thou shalt keep them secretly in thy tabernacle from the strife of tongues.

Thanks be to the Lord ; for he hath shown me his marvellous kindness in a strong city.

For I had said in my haste, I am cast out of the sight of thine eyes.

Nevertheless, thou hearest the voice of my prayer, when I cried unto thee.

O love the Lord, all ye his saints ; for the Lord preserveth those who are faithful, and plenteously rewardeth the proud doer.

Be strong, and he shall

establish your heart, all ye who put your trust in the Lord.

Now unto the King eternal, &c.

Be honour and glory, &c.

EVENING PRAYER.

PSALM 32.

BLESSED is he whose unrighteousness is forgiven, and whose sin is covered.

Blessed is the man unto whom the Lord imputeth no sin, and in whose spirit there is no guile.

For while I held my tongue, my bones consumed away through my daily complaining.

For thy hand was heavy upon me day and night ; and my moisture was turned into the drought in summer.

I will acknowledge my sin unto thee, and mine unrighteousness have I not hid.

I said, I will confess my sins unto the Lord ; and so thou forgavest the wickedness of my sin.

For this shall every one who is godly make his prayer unto thee, in a

time when thou mayest be found ; and in the great water floods they shall not come nigh him.

Thou art a place to hide me in ; thou shalt preserve me from trouble ; thou shalt compass me about with songs of deliverance.

I will inform thee, and teach thee in the way wherein thou shalt go, and I will guide thee with mine eye.

Be ye not like to horse and mule, which have no understanding ; whose mouths must be held with bit and bridle, lest they fall upon thee.

Great plagues remain for the ungodly ; but who-so putteth his trust in the Lord, mercy embraceth him on every side.

Be glad, O ye righteous, and rejoice in the Lord ; and be joyful all ye who are true of heart.

PSALM 33.

REJOICE in the Lord, O ye righteous ; for it becometh well the just to be thankful.

Sing unto the Lord a new song ; sing praises unto him skilfully, with an exalted voice.

For the word of the

Lord is true, and all his works are faithful.

He loveth righteousness and judgment ; the earth is full of the goodness of the Lord.

By the word of the Lord were the heavens made, and all the hosts of them by the breath of his mouth.

He gathereth the waters of the sea together, as it were upon a heap ; and layeth up the deep, as in a treasure house.

Let all the earth fear the Lord ; stand in awe of him, all ye who dwell in the world.

For he spake, and it was done ; he commanded, and it stood fast.

The Lord bringeth the counsel of the heathen to nought, and maketh the devices of the people to be of none effect, and casteth out the counsels of princes.

The counsel of the Lord shall endure for ever ; and the thoughts of his heart from generation to generation.

Blessed is the nation whose God is the Lord ; and blessed are the people that he hath chosen to him to be his inheritance.

The Lord looketh down from heaven, and behold-

eth all the children of men ;
from the habitation of his
dwelling he considereth all
those who dwell on the
earth.

He fashioneth all the
hearts of them, and under-
standeth all their works.

There is no king who
can be saved by the multi-
tude of an host ; neither is
any mighty man delivered
by much strength.

A horse is but a vain
thing for safety ; neither
shall he deliver any man
by his great strength.

Behold, the eye of the
Lord is upon those who
fear him, and upon those
who put their trust in his
mercy ;

To deliver their soul
from death, and to feed
them in the time of famine.

Our soul hath patiently
tarried for the Lord ; for
he is our help and our
shield.

For our hearts shall re-
joice in him ; because we
have trusted in his holy
name.

Let thy merciful kind-
ness, O Lord, be upon us,
as we do put our trust in
thee.

Now unto the King eter-
nal, &c.

Be honour and glory, &c.

The Seventh Day.

MORNING PRAYER.

PSALM 34.

I WILL always give
thanks unto the Lord ; his
praise shall ever be in my
mouth.

My soul shall make her
boast in the Lord ; the
humble shall hear thereof,
and be glad.

O praise the Lord with
me, and let us magnify his
name together.

I sought the Lord, and
he heard me ; yea, he de-
livered me out of all my
fear.

They looked unto him,
and were enlightened ; and
their faces were not
ashamed.

Lo, the poor crieth, and
the Lord heareth him ;
yea, and saveth him out of
all his troubles.

The angel of the Lord
tarrieth round about those
who fear him, and deliver-
eth them.

O taste, and see how
gracious the Lord is ;
blessed is the man who
trusteth in him.

O fear the Lord, ye who
are his saints ; for those
who fear him lack nothing.

The lions do lack, and

suffer hunger ; but they who seek the Lord shall want no manner of thing that is good.

Come, ye children, and hearken unto me ; I will teach you the fear of the Lord.

What man is he who desireth to live, and would fain see good days ?

Keep thy tongue from evil, and thy lips, that they speak no guile.

Depart from evil, and do good ; seek peace, and pursue it.

The eyes of the Lord are over the righteous, and his ears are open unto their prayer.

The countenance of the Lord is against those who do evil, to root out the remembrance of them from the earth.

The righteous cry, and the Lord heareth them, and delivereth them out of all their troubles.

The Lord is nigh unto those who are of a contrite heart, and will save such as are of an humble spirit.

Great are the troubles of the righteous ; but the Lord delivereth him out of them all.

He keepeth all his bones ;

so that not one of them is broken.

But misfortune shall slay the ungodly ; and they who hate the righteous shall be desolate.

The Lord delivereth the souls of his servants ; and all they who put their trust in him shall not be destitute.

PSALM 36.

MY heart showeth me the wickedness of the ungodly, that there is no fear of God before his eyes.

For he flattereth himself in his own sight, until his abominable sin be found out.

The words of his mouth are unrighteous and full of deceit ; he hath left off to behave himself wisely, and to do good.

He imagineth mischief upon his bed, and hath set himself in no good way ; neither doth he abhor anything that is evil.

Thy mercy, O Lord, reacheth unto the heavens, and thy faithfulness unto the clouds.

Thy righteousness standeth like the strong mountains ; thy judgments are like the great deep.

Thou, Lord, shalt save both man and beast. How excellent is thy mercy, O God! and the children of men shall put their trust under the shadow of thy wings.

They shall be satisfied with the plenteousness of thy house; and thou shalt give them drink of thy pleasures as out of a river.

For with thee is the fountain of life, and in thy light shall we see light.

O continue thy loving kindness unto those who know thee, and thy righteousness unto those who are true of heart.

Now unto the King eternal, &c.

Be honour and glory, &c.

EVENING PRAYER.

PSALM 37.

FRET not thyself be-
cause of the ungodly; nei-
ther be thou envious against
the evil doers.

For they shall be soon
cut down like the grass;
and be withered even as
the green herb.

Put thou thy trust in the
Lord, and be doing good;
so shalt thou dwell in the

land, and verily thou shalt
be fed.

Delight thou in the Lord,
and he shall give thee thy
heart's desire.

Commit thy way unto
the Lord, and put thy trust
in him, and he shall bring
it to pass.

He shall make thy right-
eousness as clear as the
light, and thy just dealing
as the noonday.

Repose thyself in the
Lord, and abide patiently
upon him, but grieve not
thyself at him whose way
doth prosper, or against
the man who doeth after
evil counsels.

Cease from wrath, and
let go displeasure; fret not
thyself, else shalt thou be
moved to do evil.

Wicked doers shall be
rooted out; and they who
patiently wait on the Lord,
shall inherit the land.

Yet a little while, and
the ungodly shall be gone;
thou shalt look after his
place, and he shall be
away.

But the meek shall in-
herit the earth, and shall
be refreshed in the abun-
dance of peace.

The ungodly have drawn
out the sword, and have
bent their bow, to cast

down the poor and needy,
and to slay such as are of
a right conversation.

Their sword shall go
through their own heart,
and their bow shall be
broken.

A small thing that the
righteous hath, is better
than great riches of the
ungodly.

For the arms of the un-
godly shall be broken, but
the Lord upholdeth the
righteous.

The Lord knoweth the
days of the godly ; their in-
heritance shall endure for-
ever.

They shall not be con-
founded in the perilous
time, and in the days of
dearth they shall have
enough.

The Lord ordereth a
good man's going, and maketh his way acceptable to himself.

Though he fall, he shall
not be cast away ; for the
Lord upholdeth him with
his hand.

I have been young, and
now am old, and yet saw I
never the righteous for-
saken, nor his seed beg-
ging their bread.

The righteous is ever
merciful, and lendeth, and
his seed is blessed.

Flee from evil, and do
the thing that is good, and
dwell for evermore.

For the Lord loveth the
thing that is right ; he for-
saketh not his who are
godly, but they are pre-
served forever.

The unrighteous shall
be punished ; as for the
seed of the ungodly, it
shall be rooted out.

The righteous shall in-
herit the land and dwell
therein for ever.

The mouth of the right-
eous is exercised in wis-
dom, and his tongue will
be talking of judgment.

The law of his God is
in his heart, and his go-
ings shall not slide.

The ungodly watcheth
the righteous, and seeketh
occasion to slay him.

The Lord will not leave
him in his hand, nor con-
demn him when he is
judged.

Hope thou in the Lord,
and keep his way, and he
shall promote thee, that
thou shalt possess the land ;
when the ungodly shall
perish, thou shalt see it.

I myself have seen the
ungodly in great power,
and flourishing like a green
bay tree.

I went by, and lo, he

was gone ; I sought him, but his place could no where be found.

Keep innocency, and take heed unto the thing that is right ; for that shall bring a man peace at the last.

As for the transgressors, they shall perish together ; and the end of the ungodly is, they shall be rooted out at the last.

But the salvation of the righteous cometh of the Lord, who is also their strength in the time of trouble.

And the Lord shall stand by them, and save them ; he shall deliver them from the ungodly, and shall save them, because they put their trust in him.

Now unto the King eternal, &c.

Be honour and glory, &c.

The Eighth Day.

MORNING PRAYER.

PSALM 39.

I SAID, I will take heed to my ways, that I offend not with my tongue.

I will keep my mouth as it were with a bridle, while the ungodly is in my sight.

I held my tongue and spake nothing ; I kept silence, yea, even from good words ; and it was pain and grief to me.

My heart was hot within me ; and while I was thus musing, the fire burned ; and at the last I spake with my tongue ;

Lord, let me know my end, and the measure of my days ; that I may know how frail I am.

Behold, thou hast made my days as it were a span long ; and mine age is even as nothing in respect of thee ; and verily every man living is altogether vanity.

For man walketh in a vain shadow, and disquieteth himself in vain ; he heapeth up riches, and cannot tell who shall gather them.

And now, Lord, what is my hope ? truly my hope is even in thee.

Deliver me from all mine offences, and make me not a rebuke unto the foolish.

I became dumb and opened not my mouth ; for it was thy doing.

Take thy plague away from me ; I am consumed by the blow of thy heavy hand.

When thou with rebukes dost chasten man for sin, thou makest his beauty to consume away, like as it were a moth fretting a garment; every man therefore is but vanity.

Hear my prayer, O Lord, and with thine ears consider my calling; hold not thy peace at my tears.

For I am a stranger with thee, and a sojourner, as all my fathers were.

O spare me a little, that I may recover my strength, before I go hence, and be no more seen.

PSALM 40.

I WAITED patiently for the Lord, and he inclined unto me, and heard my calling.

He brought me also out of the horrible pit, and out of the mire and clay, and set my feet upon the rock, and established my goings.

And he hath put a new song in my mouth, even a thanksgiving unto our God.

Many shall see it, and fear, and shall put their trust in the Lord.

Blessed is the man who hath set his hope in the Lord, and turned not unto the proud, and such as go about with lies.

Many, O Lord my God, are the wondrous works which thou hast done, and thy thoughts which are to us ward, they cannot be numbered unto thee.

If I should declare them, and speak of them, they would be more than I am able to express.

Sacrifice and meat offering thou wouldst not; but mine ears hast thou opened.

Burnt offerings and sacrifice for sin hast thou not required; then said I, Lo, I come.

In the volume of the book it is written of me, that I should fulfil thy will, O my God; I am content to do it; yea, thy law is within my heart.

I have declared thy righteousness in the great congregation; lo, I have not refrained my lips, O Lord, and that thou knowest.

I have not hid thy righteousness within my heart; my talk hath been of thy truth, and of thy salvation.

I have not kept back thy loving mercy and truth from the great congregation.

Withdraw not thou thy mercy from me, O Lord;

let thy loving kindness and thy truth always preserve me.

For innumerable troubles are come about me; my sins have taken such hold upon me, that I am not able to look up; yea, they are more in number than the hairs of my head, and my heart hath failed me.

O Lord, let it be thy pleasure to deliver me; make haste, O Lord, to help me.

Let all those who seek thee be joyful and glad in thee; and let such as love thy salvation say always, the Lord be praised.

As for me I am poor and needy; but the Lord careth for me.

Thou art my helper and redeemer; make no long tarrying, O my God.

Now unto the King eternal, &c.

Be honour and glory, &c.

EVENING PRAYER.

PSALM 43.

GIVE sentence with me, O God, and defend my cause against the ungodly people; O deliver me from

the deceitful and wicked men.

For thou art the God of my strength; why hast thou put me far from thee? and why go I so heavily while the enemy oppresseth me?

O send out thy light and thy truth, that they may lead me, and bring me unto thy holy hill, and to thy dwelling;

And that I may go unto the altar of God, even unto the God of my joy and gladness; and upon the harp will I give thanks unto thee, O God, my God.

Why art thou so heavy, O my soul? and why art thou so disquieted within me?

O put thy trust in God; for I will yet give him thanks, who is the help of my countenance, and my God.

PSALM 46.

GOD is our hope and strength, a very present help in trouble.

Therefore will we not fear, though the earth be moved, and though the hills be carried into the midst of the sea;

Though the waters thereof rage and swell, and

though the mountains shake at the tempest of the same.

There is a river, the streams whereof shall make glad the city of God, the holy place of the tabernacle of the most High.

God is in the midst of her, therefore shall she not be removed; God shall help her, and that right early.

The heathen raged, and the kingdoms were moved; but God uttered his voice, and the earth melted away.

The Lord of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our refuge.

O come hither and behold the works of the Lord, what destruction he hath brought upon the earth.

He maketh wars to cease in all the world; he breaketh the bow, and snappeth the spear in sunder, and burneth the chariots in the fire.

Be still then, and know that I am God; I will be exalted among the heathen, and I will be exalted in the earth.

The Lord of hosts is with us, the God of Jacob is our refuge.

PSALM 47.

O CLAP your hands to-

gether, all ye people; O sing unto God with the voice of melody.

For the Lord is high, and to be feared; he is the great King over all the earth.

He shall subdue the people under us, and the nations under our feet.

He shall choose out an heritage for us, even the excellency of Jacob whom he loved.

God is gone up with a shout, and the Lord with the sound of the trumpet.

O sing praises, sing praises unto our God; O sing praises, sing praises unto our King.

For God is the King of all the earth; sing ye praises with understanding.

God reigneth over the heathen; God sitteth upon his holy throne.

The princes of the people are joined unto the people of the God of Abraham; for God, who is very high exalted, doth defend the earth as it were with a shield.

PSALM 48.

GREAT is the Lord, and highly to be praised, in the city of our God, even upon his holy hill.

As we have heard, so have we seen in the city of the Lord of hosts, in the city of our God, God upholdeth the same for ever.

We wait for thy loving kindness, O God, in the midst of thy temple.

O God, according to thy name, so is thy praise unto the world's end; thy right hand is full of righteousness.

Let the mount Sion rejoice, and the daughter of Judah be glad, because of thy judgments.

For this God is our God for ever and ever; he shall be our guide unto death.

Now unto the King eternal, &c.

Be honour and glory, &c.

The Ninth Day.

MORNING PRAYER.

PSALM 50.

THE Lord even the most mighty God, hath spoken, and called the world, from the rising up of the sun unto the going down thereof.

Out of Sion hath God appeared, in perfect beauty.

Our God shall come, and shall not keep silence;

there shall go before him a consuming fire, and a mighty tempest shall be stirred up round about him.

He shall call the heavens from above, and the earth, that he may judge his people.

Gather my servants together unto me, those who have made a covenant with me with sacrifice.

And the heavens shall declare his righteousness; for God is judge himself.

Hear, O my people, and I will speak; I myself will testify against thee, O Israel; for I am God, even thy God.

I will not reprove thee because of thy sacrifices, or for thy burnt offerings, because they were not alway before me.

I will take no bullock out of thine house nor he-goat out of thy folds.

For all the beasts of the orest are mine, and so are the cattle upon a thousand hills.

I know all the fowls upon the mountains, and the wild beasts of the field are in my sight.

If I be hungry, I will not tell thee; for the whole world is mine, and all that is therein.

Offer unto God thanksgiving, and pay thy vows unto the Most High.

And call upon me in the time of trouble; so will I hear thee, and thou shalt praise me.

But unto the ungodly said God, Why dost thou preach my laws, and takest my covenant in thy mouth;

Whereas thou hatest to be reformed, and hast cast my words behind thee?

When thou sawest a thief, thou consentedst unto him, and hast been partaker with the adulterers.

Thou hast let thy mouth speak wickedness, and with thy tongue thou hast set forth deceit.

Thou didst sit, and speak against thy brother; yea, and hast slandered thine own mother's son.

These things hast thou done, and because I was silent thou thoughtest wickedly, that I am even such a one as thyself; but I will reprove thee, and set before thee the things that thou hast done.

O consider this, ye who forget God; lest I pluck you away, and there be none to deliver you.

Whoso offereth me *thanks and praise*, he hon-

oureth me; and to him who ordereth his conversation right will I show the salvation of God.

Now unto the King eternal, &c.

Be honour and glory, &c.



EVENING PRAYER.

PSALM 51.

HAVE mercy upon me, O God, after thy great goodness; according to the multitude of thy mercies do away mine offences.

Wash me thoroughly from my wickedness; and cleanse me from my sin.

For I acknowledge my faults, and my sin is ever before me.

Against thee especially have I sinned, and done this evil in thy sight; that thou mightest be justified in thy sentence, and be clear when thou judgest.

Thou requirest truth in the inward parts, and shalt make me to understand wisdom secretly.

Thou shalt purge me as with hyssop, and I shall be clean; thou shalt wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow.

Thou shalt make me
hear of joy and gladness,
that the bones which thou
hast broken may rejoice.

Turn thy face from my
sins, and blot out my mis-
deeds.

Make me a clean heart,
O God, and renew a right
spirit within me.

Cast me not away from
thy presence, and take not
thy holy Spirit from me.

O give me the comfort
of thy help again, and es-
tablish me with thy free
Spirit.

Then shall I teach thy
ways unto the wicked, and
sinners shall be converted
unto thee.

Thou shalt open my
lips, O Lord, and my
mouth shall show thy
praise.

For thou desirest no
sacrifice, else would I give
it thee; but thou delight-
est not in burnt offerings.

The sacrifice of God is
a troubled spirit; a brok-
en and a contrite heart, O
God, shalt thou not de-
spise.

PSALM 56.

BE merciful unto me,
O God, for man goeth
about to devour me: he is
daily fighting and troubling
me.

Mine enemies would
daily swallow me up; for
they be many who fight
against me, O thou Most
High.

Nevertheless, though I
am some time afraid, yet
put I my trust in thee.

I will praise God be-
cause of his word; I have
put my trust in God, and
will not fear what flesh can
do unto me.

They daily pervert my
words; all that they imag-
ine is to do me evil.

They gather themselves
together, they hide them-
selves, and mark my steps,
when they lay wait for my
soul.

Shall they escape by
their wickedness? thou, O
God, in thy displeasure
shalt cast them down.

Thou tellest my offen-
ces; put my tears before
thee; are not these things
noted in thy book?

Whosoever I call upon
thee, then shall mine ene-
mies be put to flight; this
I know, for God is on my
side.

In God's word will I re-
joice; in the Lord's word
will I comfort me.

Yea, in God have I put
my trust; I will not be
afraid of what man can do
unto me.

Unto thee, O God, will I pay my vows; unto thee will I give thanks.

For thou hast delivered my soul from death, and my feet from falling, that I may walk before God in the light of the living.

Now unto the King eternal, &c.

Be honour and glory, &c.

The Tenth Day.

MORNING PRAYER.

PSALM 57.

BE merciful unto me, O God, be merciful unto me, for my soul trusteth in thee; and under the shadow of thy wings shall be my refuge, until this calamity be overpast.

I will call unto the most high God, even unto the God who will perform all things for me.

He shall send from heaven, and save me from the reproach of him who would swallow me up.

Be thou exalted, O God, above the heavens, and let thy glory be above all the earth.

My heart is fixed, O God, my heart is fixed; I will sing, and give praise.

Awake up, my glory awake, lute and harp; myself will awake right early.

I will give thanks unto thee, O Lord, among the people, and I will sing unto thee among the nations.

For the greatness of thy mercy reacheth unto the heavens, and thy truth unto the clouds.

Be thou exalted, O God, above the heavens, and let thy glory be above all the earth.

PSALM 61.

HEAR my crying, O God; give ear unto my prayer.

From the ends of the earth will I call upon thee, when my heart is in heaviness.

O set me up upon the rock that is higher than I; for thou hast been my hope, and a strong tower for me against the enemy.

I will dwell in thy tabernacle for ever, and my trust shall be under the covering of thy wings.

For thou, O Lord, hast heard my desires and hast given an heritage unto those who fear thy name.

Thou shalt grant the king a long life, that his

years may endure throughout all generations.

He shall dwell before **God** for ever ; O prepare thy loving mercy and faithfulness, that they may preserve him.

So will I alway sing praise unto thy name, that I may daily perform my vows.

PSALM 62.

MY soul truly waiteth still upon God ; for of him cometh my salvation.

He verily is my strength and my salvation ; he is my defence, so that I shall not greatly fall.

My soul, wait thou still upon God ; for my hope is in him.

He truly is my strength and my salvation ; he is my defence, so that I shall not fall.

In God is my health and my glory, the rock of my might, and in God is my trust.

O put your trust in him alway, ye people ; pour out your hearts before him ; for God is our hope.

As for the men of low degree, they are but vanity ; the men of high degree are deceit ; laid in the balance, they are al-

together lighter than vanity itself.

O trust not in wrong and robbery ; give not yourselves unto vanity ; if riches increase, set not your heart upon them.

God spake once, and twice I have also heard the same, that power belongeth unto God ;

And that thou, Lord, art merciful ; for thou renderest to every man according to his work.

Now unto the King eternal, &c.

Be honour and glory, &c.



EVENING PRAYER.

PSALM 63.

O GOD, thou art my God ; early will I seek thee.

My soul thirsteth for thee, my flesh also longeth after thee, in a barren and dry land, where no water is ;

That I might behold thy power and glory, as I have seen thee in the sanctuary.

Because thy loving kindness is better than life itself, my lips shall praise thee.

Thus will I magnify thee as long as I live, and

lift up my hands in thy name.

My soul shall be satisfied even as it were with marrow and fatness, when my mouth praiseth thee with joyful lips.

Have I not remembered thee in my bed, and thought upon thee when I was waking?

Because thou hast been my helper, therefore under the shadow of thy wings will I rejoice.

My soul hangeth upon thee; thy right hand hath upholden me.

PSALM 65.

THOU, O God, art praised in Sion, and unto thee shall the vow be performed.

O thou who hearest prayer, unto thee shall all flesh come.

My misdeeds prevail against me; O be thou merciful unto our sins.

Blessed is the man whom thou choosest, and receivest unto thee; he shall dwell in thy court, and shall be satisfied with the pleasures of thy house, even of thy holy temple.

Thou shalt show us wonderful things in thy righteousness, O God of our salvation; thou who

art the hope of all the ends of the earth, and of those who are afar off upon the sea;

Who in thy strength settest fast the mountains, and art girded about with power;

Who stillest the raging of the sea, and the noise of its waves, and the madness of the people.

They also who dwell in the uttermost parts of the earth, shall be afraid at thy tokens; thou who makest the outgoings of the morning and evening to praise thee.

Thou visitest the earth and blessest it; thou makest it very plenteous.

The river of God is full of water; thou preparest their corn, for so thou providest for the earth.

Thou waterest her furrows, thou sendest rain into the little valleys thereof, thou makest it soft with the drops of rain, and blessest the increase of it.

Thou crownest the year with thy goodness, and thy clouds drop fatness.

They shall drop upon the dwellings of the wilderness, and the little hills shall rejoice on every side.

The mountains shall be

clothed with sheep; the
valleys also shall stand so
thick with corn, that they
shall laugh and sing.

Now unto the King eter-
nal, &c.

Be honour and glory, &c.



The Eleventh Day.

MORNING PRAYER.

PSALM 66.

O BE joyful in God, all
ye lands; sing praises unto
the honour of his name;
make his praise to be glo-
rious.

Say unto God, O how
wonderful art thou in thy
works! through the great-
ness of thy power shall
thine enemies submit them-
selves unto thee.

For all the world shall
worship thee, sing of thee,
and praise thy name.

O come hither, and be-
hold the works of God;
how wonderful he is in his
doing toward the children
of men!

He turned the sea into
dry land, so that they went
through the water on foot;
there did we rejoice in him.

He ruleth with his pow-
er for ever; his eyes be-

hold the people; and such
as are rebellious shall not
be able to exalt themselves.

O praise our God, ye
people, and make the voice
of his praise to be heard;

Who holdeth our soul in
life, and suffereth not our
feet to slip.

For thou, O God, hast
proved us; thou also hast
tried us, like as silver is
tried.

Thou broughtest us into
the snare, and laidst trou-
ble upon us.

Thou sufferedst men to
ride over our heads; we
went through fire and wa-
ter, and thou broughtest us
out into a place of refresh-
ment.

O come hither and
hearken, all ye who fear
God, and I will tell you
what he hath done for my
soul.

I called unto him with
my mouth, and gave him
praises with my tongue.

If I incline unto wicked-
ness with my heart, the
Lord will not hear me.

But God hath heard me,
and considered the voice
of my prayer.

Praised be God, who
hath not cast out my
prayer, nor turned his mer-
cy from me.

PSALM 68.

LET God arise, and let his enemies be scattered; let those also who hate him flee before him.

Like as the smoke vanisheth, so shalt thou drive them away; and like as wax melteth at the fire, so shall the ungodly perish at the presence of God.

But let the righteous be glad, and rejoice before God; yea, let them exceedingly rejoice.

O sing unto God, and sing praises unto his name; magnify him who rideth upon the heavens: praise him in his name **JEHOVAH**, and rejoice before him.

He is a Father of the fatherless, and defendeth the cause of the widows; even God in his holy habitation.

God restoreth the solitary to their families, and bringeth the prisoners out of captivity; but letteth the rebellious continue in a dry land.

O God, when thou wentest forth before the people, when thou didst march through the wilderness;

The earth shook, and the heavens dropped at the presence of God; even *Sinai itself* was moved at the

presence of God, the God of Israel.

Thou, O God, sentest a gracious rain upon thine inheritance, and refreshed it when it was weary.

They dwelt in the midst of thy food; for thou, O God, didst of thy goodness prepare for the poor.

The Lord gave the word; great was the company of those who published it.

Kings with their armies did flee and were discomfited, and she who staid at home divided the spoil.

The chariots of God are twenty thousand, even thousands of angels, and the Lord is among them, as in the holy place of *Sinai*.

Thou art gone up on high, thou hast led captivity captive, and received gifts among men; yea, even from thine enemies, that the Lord God might dwell among them.

Praised be the Lord daily; even the God who helpeth us, and poureth his benefits upon us.

He is our God, even the God of whom cometh salvation; God is the Lord, by whom we escape death.

The Lord hath said, I

will bring my people again
as I did from Bashan;
mine own will I bring
again, as I did once from
the deep of the sea.

Sing unto God, O ye
kingdoms of the earth ; O
sing praises unto the Lord ;

Who sitteth in the heav-
ens over all, from the be-
ginning ; lo, he doth send
out his voice, yea, and that
a mighty voice.

Ascribe ye the power to
God ; his excellency is
over Israel ; his strength
is in the clouds.

O God, wonderful art
thou in thy holy places ;
the God of Israel will give
strength and power unto
his people ; blessed be
God.

Now unto the King eter-
nal, &c.

Be honour and glory, &c.

EVENING PRAYER.

PSALM 71.

IN thee, O Lord, have
I put my trust ; let me nev-
er be put to confusion, but
rescue me, and deliver me
in thy righteousness ; in-
cline thine ear unto me,
and save me.

Be thou my strong hold,
whereunto I may alway
resort ; thou hast promised

to help me, for thou art
my house of defence and
my castle.

Deliver me, O God, out
of the hand of the ungodly,
out of the hand of the un-
righteous and cruel man.

For thou art my hope,
O Lord God ; thou art my
hope, even from my youth.

Through thee have I
been holden up ever since
I was born ; my praise shall
be always of thee.

I am become a wonder
unto many ; but my sure
trust is in thee.

O let my mouth be filled
with thy praise, that I may
sing of thy glory and hon-
our all the day long.

Cast me not away in the
time of age ; forsake me
not when my strength fail-
eth me.

For mine enemies speak
against me, and they who
lay wait for my soul, take
their counsel together, say-
ing, God hath forsaken
him ; persecute him, and
take him ; for there is none
to deliver him.

Go not far from me, O
God ; my God, haste thee
to help me.

As for me, I will patient-
ly abide alway, and will
praise thee more and more.

My mouth shall daily

speaking of thy righteousness and salvation ; for I know no end thereof.

I will go forth in the strength of the Lord God, and will make mention of thy righteousness only.

Thou, O God, hast taught me from my youth up until now ; therefore will I tell of thy wondrous works.

Forsake me not, O God, in mine old age, when I am gray headed, until I have shown thy strength unto this generation, and thy power to all those who are yet to come.

Thy righteousness, O God, is very high, and great things are those which thou hast done ; O God, who is like unto thee !

O what great troubles and adversities hast thou shown me ! and yet didst thou turn and refresh me, yea, and broughtest me from the depths of the earth again.

Thou hast brought me to great honour, and comforted me on every side.

Therefore will I praise thee and thy faithfulness, O God, playing upon an instrument of music ; unto thee will I sing upon the

harp, O thou Holy One of Israel.

My lips shall greatly rejoice when I sing unto thee ; and so will my soul which thou hast delivered.

My tongue also shall talk of thy righteousness all the day long ; for they are confounded and brought unto shame, who seek to do me evil.

Now unto the King eternal, &c.

Be honour and glory, &c.



The Twelfth Day.

MORNING PRAYER.

PSALM 72.

GIVE the king thy judgments, O God, and thy righteousness unto the king's son.

Then shall he judge thy people according unto right, and defend the poor.

The mountains also shall bring peace, and the hills righteousness unto the people.

He shall judge the poor of the people, defend the children of the needy, and punish the wrong doer.

They shall fear thee as

long as the sun and moon endure, from one generation to another.

He shall come down like rain upon the mown grass, even as the drops that water the earth.

In his time shall the righteous flourish, yea, and abundance of peace, so long as the moon endureth.

His dominion shall be also from the one sea to the other, and from the river unto the world's end.

They who dwell in the wilderness shall kneel before him; his enemies shall lick the dust.

The kings of Tharsis and of the Isles shall give presents; the kings of Arabia and Saba shall bring gifts.

All kings shall fall down before him; all nations shall do him service.

For he shall deliver the poor when he crieth, the needy also, and him who hath no helper.

He shall be favourable to the simple and needy, and shall preserve the souls of the poor.

He shall deliver their souls from falsehood and wrong; and dear shall their blood be in his sight.

He shall live, and unto him shall be given of the gold of Arabia; prayer shall be made for him continually; and daily shall he be praised.

There shall be abundance of corn in the earth; its fruit shall wave like Lebanon; and they of the city shall flourish like the grass of the earth.

His name shall endure for ever; his name shall remain under the sun among the posterities which shall be blessed through him; and all the heathen shall praise him.

Blessed be the Lord God, even the God of Israel, who only doth wondrous things;

And blessed be the name of his majesty for ever; and all the earth shall be filled with his majesty. Amen, Amen.

Now unto the King eternal, &c.

Be honour and glory, &c

EVENING PRAYER.

PSALM 73.

TRULY God is good unto Israel, even unto such as are of a clean heart.

Nevertheless, my feet

were almost gone; my steps had well nigh slipped.

For I was envious at the wicked, when I saw the ungodly in such prosperity.

For they are in no distress; but are firm and strong.

They come in no misfortune like other men; neither are they afflicted like other men.

And this is the cause that they are so lifted up with pride, and filled with cruelty.

They are corrupt, and speak of wicked blasphemy; their talking is against the Most High.

For they set their mouth against the heaven, and their tongue goeth through the world.

Therefore his people fall into their hands, and water in full measure is wrung out of them.

For they say, How should God perceive it? Is there knowledge in the Most High?

Lo, these are the ungodly, these prosper in the world, and these have riches in possession; and I said, Then have I cleansed my heart in vain, and washed my hands in innocency.

For all the day long have I been smitten, and chastened every morning.

Yea, and I had almost said even as they; but lo, then I should have condemned the generation of thy children.

Then thought I to understand this; but it was too hard for me;

Until I went into the sanctuary of God; then understood I the end of these men.

Truly thou dost set them in slippery places, and castest them down, and destroyest them.

O, how suddenly do they consume, perish, and come to a fearful end!

Yea, even like as a dream when one awaketh, so shalt thou destroy their splendour in thy wrath.

Thus my heart was grieved, and my thoughts were troubled.

So foolish was I, and ignorant, even as it were a beast before thee.

Nevertheless, I am alway with thee; for thou hast holden me by my right hand.

Thou shalt guide me with thy counsel, and after that receive me to glory.

Whom have I in heaven

but thee ? and there is none upon earth that I desire in comparison of thee.

My flesh and my heart fail ; but God is the strength of my heart, and my portion for ever.

For lo, they who forsake thee shall perish ; thou hast destroyed all those who follow after other gods.

But it is good for me to hold me fast by God, to put my trust in the Lord God, and to speak of all thy glorious works.

Now unto the King eternal, &c.

Be honour and glory, &c.



The Thirteenth Day.

MORNING PRAYER.

PSALM 75.

UNTO thee, O God, do we give thanks ; yea unto thee do we give thanks.

For that thy name is high, do thy wondrous works declare.

When the promised time cometh, I shall judge according unto right.

The land is weak, and all the inhabitants thereof ;

I will bear up the pillars of it.

I said unto the fools, Deal not so madly ; and to the ungodly, Boast not of your strength.

Boast not of your strength, and speak not with a stiff neck.

For promotion cometh neither from the east, nor from the west, nor yet from the south.

And why ? God is the Judge ; he putteth down one, and setteth up another.

For in the hand of the Lord there is a cup, and the wine is red ; it is full mixed, and he poureth out of the same.

As for the dregs thereof, all the ungodly of the earth shall wring them out and drink them.

But I will magnify the God of Jacob, and praise him for ever.

PSALM 76.

IN Judah is God known ; his name is great in Israel.

At Salem is his tabernacle, and his dwelling in Sion.

There broke he the arrows of the bow, the shield, the sword, and the battle.

Thou art of more honour and might, O Sion, than the hills of the robbers.

The proud are spoiled, they have slept their sleep; and all their strength availed them nothing.

At thy rebuke, O God of Jacob, both the chariot and horse are fallen.

Thou, even thou, art to be feared; and who may stand in thy sight when thou art angry?

Thou didst cause thy sentence to be heard from heaven; the earth trembled and was still,

When God arose to judgment, and to help all the meek upon earth.

The fierceness of man shall turn to thy praise; and the remainder of wrath shalt thou restrain.

Promise unto the Lord your God, and keep it, all ye who are round about him; bring presents unto him who ought to be feared.

For he breaketh down the spirit of princes; he is terrible among the kings of the earth.

Now unto the King eternal, &c.

Be honour and glory, &c.

EVENING PRAYER.

PSALM 77.

I WILL cry unto God with my voice, even unto God will I cry with my voice; and O that he would hearken unto me.

In the time of my trouble I sought the Lord; stretched out my hands to him all the night long; my soul refused comfort.

When I am in heaviness, I will think upon God when my heart is vexed, I will complain.

I consider the days of old, and remember the years that are past.

I call to remembrance my song in the night; I commune with mine own heart, and search out my spirit.

Will the Lord absent himself for ever? and will he be no more intreated?

Is his mercy clean gone for ever? and is his promise come utterly to an end for evermore?

Hath God forgotten to be gracious; and will he shut up his loving kindness in displeasure?

And I said, It is mine own infirmity; I will remember the years of the

right hand of the Most High.

I will remember the works of the Lord, and call to mind thy wonders of old time.

I will think also of all thy works, and my talk shall be of thy doings.

Thy way, O God, is holy; who is so great a God as our God?

Thou art the God who doest wonders, and hast declared thy power among the people.

Thou hast mightily delivered thy people, even the sons of Jacob and Joseph.

The waters saw thee, O God, the waters saw thee, and were afraid; the depths also were troubled.

The clouds poured out water, the air thundered, and thine arrows went abroad.

The voice of thy thunder was heard round about; the lightnings shone upon the ground; the earth was moved and shook withal.

Thy way is in the sea, and thy path in the great waters, and thy footsteps are not known.

Thou leddest thy people like a flock, by the hand of Moses and Aaron.

PSALM 82.

GOD has come up into the judgment seat; he rebuketh the judges of the earth.

How long will ye give wrong judgment, and accept the persons of the ungodly?

Defend the poor and fatherless; do justice to the afflicted and needy.

Deliver the outcast and poor; save them from the hand of the ungodly.

They will not know nor understand, but walk on still in darkness; all the foundations of the land are disturbed.

I have said, Ye are gods; and ye are all the children of the Most High.

But ye shall die like other men, and fall like tyrants.

Arise, O God, and judge thou the earth; for thou shalt take all nations to thine inheritance.

Now unto the King eternal, &c.

Be honour and glory, &c.

The Fourteenth Day.

MORNING PRAYER.

PSALM 84.

O HOW amiable are thy

dwellings, thou Lord of hosts!

My soul longeth, yea, even fainteth for the courts of the Lord; my heart and my flesh cry out for the living God.

As the sparrow findeth an house, and the swallow a nest, where she may lay her young, so let me dwell at thine altars, O Lord of hosts, my king and my God.

Blessed are they who dwell in thy house; they will be alway praising thee.

Blessed are the men whose strength is in thee, in whose heart are thy ways.

For them the desert valley of Baka hath fountains; and they are refreshed with abundant showers.

They will go from strength to strength, till every one of them appeareth before God, in Sion.

O Lord God of hosts, hear my prayer; hearken, O God of Jacob.

Behold, O God our defender, and look upon the face of thine anointed.

For one day in thy courts is better than a thousand elsewhere.

I had rather be a door-keeper in the house of my

God, than to dwell in the tents of ungodliness.

For the Lord God is a light and defence; the Lord will give grace and glory; and no good thing shall he withhold from those who live a godly life.

O Lord God of hosts, blessed is the man who putteth his trust in thee.

PSALM 85.

LORD, thou art become gracious unto thy land; thou hast turned away the captivity of Jacob.

Thou hast forgiven the offence of thy people, and covered all their sins.

Thou hast taken away all thy displeasure, and turned thyself from thy wrathful indignation.

Turn us then, O God our Saviour, and let thine anger cease from us.

Wilt thou be displeased at us for ever? and wilt thou stretch out thy wrath from one generation to another?

Wilt thou not turn again and quicken us, that thy people may rejoice in thee?

Show us thy mercy, O Lord and grant us thy salvation.

I will hear what God the

Lord will speak ; for hé will speak peace to his people and his saints ; only let them not return to their folly again.

For his salvation is nigh those who fear him, that glory may dwell in our land.

Mercy and truth are met together ; righteousness and peace have kissed each other.

Truth shall flourish out of the earth ; and righteousness hath looked down from heaven.

Yea, the Lord shall show his loving kindness ; and our land shall yield her increase.

Righteousness shall go before him, and shall keep his path continually.

Now unto the King eternal, &c.

Be honour and glory, &c.

EVENING PRAYER.

PSALM 86.

BOW down thine ear, O Lord, and hear me, for I am poor and in misery.

Preserve thou my soul, for thou art my hope ; my God, save thy servant who putteth his trust in thee.

Be merciful unto me, O

Lord, for I will call daily upon thee.

Comfort the soul of thy servant ; for unto thee, O Lord, do I lift up my soul.

For thou, Lord, art good and gracious, and of great mercy unto all those who call upon thee.

Give ear, Lord, unto my prayer, and ponder the voice of my humble desires.

In the time of my trouble I will call upon thee ; for thou hearest me.

Among the gods there is none like unto thee, O Lord ; there is not one who can do as thou doest.

All nations whom thou hast made, shall come and worship thee, O Lord, and shall glorify thy name.

For thou art great, and doest wondrous things ; thou art God alone.

Teach me thy way, O Lord, and I will walk in thy truth ; O knit my heart unto thee, that I may fear thy name.

I will thank thee, O Lord my God, with all my heart, and will praise thy name for evermore.

For great is thy mercy toward me ; and thou hast delivered my soul from the terrors of death.

O God, the proud are risen against me, and the congregations of violent men have sought after my soul, and have not set thee before their eyes.

But thou, O Lord God, art full of compassion and mercy, long suffering, plentiful in goodness and truth.

O turn thee then unto me, and have mercy upon me ; give thy strength unto thy servant, and help the son of thine handmaid.

Show some token upon me for good, that they who hate me may see it, and be ashamed ; because thou, Lord, hast holden me, and comforted me.

PSALM 89.

MY song shall be always of the loving kindness of the Lord ; with my mouth will I ever be showing thy truth from one generation to another.

For I have said, Mercy shall be set up for ever ; thy truth shalt thou establish in the heavens.

O Lord, the very heavens shall praise thy wondrous works, and thy truth in the congregation of the saints.

For who is he in the

heavens, that shall be compared unto the Lord ?

And who is he among the gods, that shall be likened unto the Lord ?

God is very greatly to be feared in the assembly of the saints, and to be had in reverence of all those who are round about him.

O Lord God of hosts, who is like unto thee ? thy truth, most mighty Lord, is on every side.

Thou rulest the raging of the sea ; thou stillest the waves thereof, when they rise.

Thou hast subdued Egypt, and destroyed it ; thou hast scattered thine enemies abroad with thy mighty arm.

The heavens are thine, the earth also is thine ; thou hast laid the foundation of the round world, and all that therein is.

Thou hast made the north and the south ; Tabor and Hermon shall rejoice in thy name.

Thou hast a mighty arm ; strong is thy hand, and high is thy right hand.

Righteousness and equity are the habitation of thy throne ; mercy and truth shall go before thy face.

Blessed is the people, O Lord, who know the joyful

sound ; they shall walk in the light of thy countenance.

Their delight shall be daily in thy name ; and in thy righteousness shall they make their boast.

For thou art the glory of their strength ; and in thy loving kindness we shall greatly prosper.

For the Lord is our defence ; the Holy One of Israel is our King.

Now unto the King eternal , &c.

Be honour and glory, &c.



The Fifteenth Day.

MORNING PRAYER.

PSALM 90.

LORD, thou hast been our refuge from one generation to another.

Before the mountains were brought forth, or ever thou hadst formed the earth and the world, even from everlasting to everlasting thou art God.

Thou turnest man to destruction ; and sayest, Return, ye children of men.

For a thousand years in thy sight are but as yesterday when it is past, or a watch in the night.

As soon as thou scatter-

est them, they are even as a sleep, and fade away suddenly like the grass.

In the morning it is green, and groweth up ; but in the evening it is cut down, dried up, and withered.

For we consume away in thy displeasure, and are afraid at thy wrathful indignation.

Thou hast set our misdeeds before thee, and our secret sins in the light of thy countenance.

For when thou art angry, all our days are gone ; we bring our years to an end, as it were a tale that is told.

The days of our age are threescore years and ten ; and though men be so strong that they come to fourscore years, yet is their strength then but labour and sorrow ; so soon passeth it away, and we are gone.

But who regardeth the power of thy wrath ? or feareth thy displeasure as he ought ?

So teach us to number our days, that we may apply our hearts unto wisdom.

Turn thee again, O Lord, at the last, and be gracious unto thy servants.

O satisfy us with thy mercy, and that soon; so shall we rejoice and be glad all the days of our life.

Comfort us again, now after the time that thou hast afflicted us, and for the years wherein we have suffered adversity.

Show thy servants thy work, and their children thy glory.

And the glorious majesty of the Lord our God be upon us; prosper thou the work of our hands upon us; O prosper thou our handy work.

PSALM 90.

WHOSO dwelleth under the defence of the Most High, shall abide under the shadow of the Almighty.

I will say unto the Lord, Thou art my hope, and my strong hold; my God, in whom I will trust.

For he shall deliver thee from the snare of the hunter, and from the noisome pestilence.

He shall defend thee under his wings, and thou shalt be safe under his feathers; his faithfulness and truth shall be thy shield and buckler.

Thou shalt not be afraid

for any terror by night; nor for the arrow that flieth by day;

For the pestilence that walketh in darkness; nor for the sickness that destroyeth in the noonday.

A thousand shall fall beside thee, and ten thousand at thy right hand; but it shall not come nigh thee.

But with thine eyes shalt thou behold, and see the reward of the ungodly.

For thou, Lord, art my hope; thou hast set thine house of defence very high.

There shall no evil happen unto thee, neither shall any plague come nigh thy dwelling.

For he shall give his angels charge over thee, to keep thee in all thy ways.

They shall bear thee in their hands, that thou hurt not thy foot against a stone.

Thou shalt go upon the lion and adder; the young lion and the dragon shalt thou tread under thy feet.

Because he hath set his love upon me, therefore will I deliver him; I will set him up, because he hath known my name.

He shall call upon me, and I will hear him; yea,

I am with him in trouble ;
I will deliver him, and
bring him to honour.

With long life will I satisfy him, and show him my salvation.

Now unto the King eternal, &c.

Be honour and glory, &c.

EVENING PRAYER.

PSALM 92.

IT is a good thing to give thanks unto the Lord, and to sing praises unto thy name, O Most High ;

To tell of thy loving kindness early in the morning, and of thy truth in the night season.

For thou, Lord, hast made me glad through thy works ; and I will rejoice in giving praise for the operations of thy hands.

O Lord, how glorious are thy works ! thy thoughts are very deep !

An unwise man doth not consider this ; and a fool doth not understand it.

When the ungodly are green as the grass, and when all the workers of wickedness do flourish, then shall they be destroy-

ed for ever ; but thou, Lord, art the Most High for evermore.

For lo, thine enemies, O Lord, lo, thine enemies shall perish ; and all the workers of wickedness shall be destroyed.

The righteous shall flourish like a palm tree ; and shall spread abroad like a cedar in Lebanon.

Such as are planted in the house of the Lord, shall flourish in the courts of the house of our God.

They shall bring forth fruit even in their age ; and shall be full of sap and flourishing.

That they may show how true the Lord my strength is, and that there is no unrighteousness in him.

PSALM 93.

THE Lord is king, and hath put on glorious apparel ; the Lord hath put on his apparel, and girded himself with strength.

He hath made the world so sure, that it cannot be moved.

Ever since the world began, hath thy throne been prepared ; thou art from everlasting.

The floods have lifted, O Lord, the floods have

lifted up their voice ; the
floods lift up their waves.

The waves of the sea
are mighty, and rage hor-
ribly ; but yet the Lord,
who dwelleth on high, is
mightier.

Thy testimonies, O Lord,
are very sure ; holiness be-
cometh thine house for
ever.

Now unto the King eter-
nal, &c.

Be honour and glory, &c.

The Sixteenth Day.

MORNING PRAYER.

PSALM 94.

O LORD God, to whom
vengeance belongeth ; thou
God, to whom vengeance
belongeth, arise !

Arise, thou Judge of the
world, and reward the
proud after their deserv-
ing.

Lord, how long shall the
ungodly, how long shall
the ungodly triumph ?

How long shall all wick-
ed doers speak so disdain-
fully, and make such proud
boasting ?

They smite down thy
people, O Lord, and trou-
ble thine heritage.

They murder the widow
and the stranger, and put
the fatherless to death.

And yet they say, The
Lord shall not see ; nei-
ther shall the God of Jacob
regard it.

Take heed, ye most
foolish of men ; O ye fools,
when will ye understand ?

He who planted the ear,
shall he not hear ? or he
who made the eye, shall he
not see ?

He who chastiseth the
heathen, shall he not cor-
rect you ? or he who
teacheth man knowledge,
shall he not know ?

The Lord knoweth the
thoughts of man, that they
are but vain.

Blessed is the man whom
thou chastenest, O Lord,
and teachest him in thy
law ;

That thou mayest give
him patience in time of
adversity, until the pit be
dugged up for the ungodly.

For the Lord will not
fail his people, neither
will he forsake his inheri-
tance ;

Until righteousness turn
again unto judgment ; and
all such as are true in
heart shall follow it.

Who will rise up with

me against the wicked ? or who will take my part against the evil doers ?

If the Lord had not helped me, it had not failed but my soul had been put to silence.

But when I said, I am fallen, thy mercy, O Lord, held me up.

In the multitude of the sorrows that I had in my heart, thy comforts have refreshed my soul.

Wilt thou have any fellowship with the throne of those wicked ones, who make mischief their law ?

They gather them together against the soul of the righteous, and condemn the innocent blood.

But the Lord is my refuge ; and my God is the strength of my confidence.

Now unto the King eternal, &c.

Be honour and glory, &c.

EVENING PRAYER.

PSALM 96.

O SING unto the Lord a new song ; sing unto the Lord, all the earth.

Sing unto the Lord, and praise his name ; be telling of his salvation from day to day.

Declare his honour unto the heathen, and his wonders unto all the people.

For the Lord is great, and cannot worthily be praised ; he is more to be feared than all gods.

As for all the gods of the heathen, they are but idols ; but it is the Lord who made the heavens.

Glory and worship are before him ; power and honour are in his sanctuary.

Ascribe unto the Lord, O ye families of the people, ascribe unto the Lord worship and power.

Ascribe unto the Lord the honour due unto his name ; bring offerings, and come into his courts.

O worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness ; let the whole earth stand in awe of him.

Tell it out among the heathen, that the Lord is King ; that it is he who hath made the world so fast that it cannot be moved ; and that he shall judge the people righteously.

Let the heavens rejoice, and let the earth be glad ; let the sea make a noise, and all that therein is.

Let the field be joyful, and all that is in it ; let all

the trees of the wood rejoice before the Lord.

For he cometh, for he cometh to judge the earth ; and with righteousness to judge the world, and the people with his truth.

PSALM 97.

THE Lord is King, the earth may be glad thereof ; yea, the multitude of the isles may be glad thereof.

Clouds and darkness are round about him ; righteousness and judgment are the habitation of his throne.

There shall go a fire before him, and burn up his enemies on every side.

His lightnings shone through the world ; the earth saw, and was afraid.

The hills melted like wax at the presence of the Lord, at the presence of the Lord of the whole earth.

The heavens have declared his righteousness ; and all the people have seen his glory.

Confounded be all they who worship carved images, and who delight in vain gods ; worship him, all ye gods.

Sion heard of it, and rejoiced ; and the daughters of Judah were glad, be-

cause of thy judgments, O Lord.

For thou, Lord, art higher than all that are in the earth ; thou art exalted far above all gods.

O ye who love the Lord, see that ye hate the thing which is evil ; the Lord preserveth the souls of his saints ; he shall deliver them from the hand of the ungodly.

There is sprung up a light for the righteous, and joyful gladness for such as are true of heart.

Rejoice in the Lord, ye righteous ; and give thanks at the remembrance of his holiness.

Now unto the King eternal, &c.

Be honour and glory, &c.



The Seventeenth Day.

MORNING PRAYER.

PSALM 99.

THE Lord is King, let the nations tremble ; he sitteth between the cherubim, let the earth be moved.

The Lord is great in Sion, and high above all the people.

Let them praise thy

great and wonderful name ;
for it is holy.

The king's power loveth
justice ; thou hast prepared
equity ; thou hast executed
judgment and righteousness
in Jacob.

O magnify the Lord our
God, and fall down before
his footstool ; for he is holy.

Moses and Aaron, the
chief among his ministers,
and Samuel among such
as call upon his name,
these called upon the Lord,
and he heard them.

He spake unto them out
of the cloudy pillar ; for
they kept his testimonies,
and the law that he gave
them.

Thou heardest them, O
Lord our God ; thou forgav-
est them, O God, though
thou punishedst their ini-
quities.

O magnify the Lord our
God, and worship him up-
on his holy hill ; for the
Lord our God is holy.

PSALM 102.

HEAR my prayer, O
Lord, and let my crying
come unto thee.

Hide not thy face from
me in the time of my trou-
ble ; incline thine ears un-
to me when I call ; O hear
me, and that right soon.

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For my days are con-
sumed away like smoke ;
and my bones are burnt up
as it were a firebrand.

I am become like a peli-
can in the wilderness, and
like an owl that is in the
desert.

I have watched, and am
even as it were a bird of
the night, that sitteth alone
upon the house top.

My days are gone like a
shadow, and I am with-
ered like grass.

But thou, O Lord, shalt
endure for ever, and thy
remembrance throughout
all generations.

Thou shalt arise, and
have mercy upon Sion ; for
it is time that thou have
mercy upon her ; yea, the
time is come.

For thy servants love
the very stones thereof,
and it pitieth them to see
her in the dust.

So the heathen shall
fear thy name, O Lord,
and all the kings of the
earth thy majesty.

When the Lord shall
build up Sion, he shall ap-
pear in his glory.

He will regard the prayer
of the poor destitute, and
will not despise their de-
sire.

This shall be written for

those who come after; and the people who shall be born, shall praise the Lord.

For he hath looked down from his sanctuary; out of the heaven did the Lord behold the earth;

That he might hear the mournings of such as are in captivity, and deliver the children appointed unto death;

That they may declare the name of the Lord in Sion, and his worship at Jerusalem;

When the people are gathered together, and the kingdoms also to serve the Lord.

Thou, Lord, in the beginning hast laid the foundation of the earth; and the heavens are the works of thy hands.

They shall perish, but thou shalt endure; they all shall wax old as doth a garment;

And as a vesture shalt thou change them, and they shall be changed; but thou art the same, and thy years shall not fail.

The children of thy servants shall continue; and their seed shall stand fast in thy sight.

Now unto the King eternal, &c.

Be honour and glory, &c.

EVENING PRAYER

PSALM 103.

PRAISE the Lord, O my soul; and all that is within me, praise his holy name.

Praise the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits;

Who forgiveth all thy sin, and healeth all thine infirmities;

Who saveth thy life from destruction, and crowneth thee with mercy and loving kindness;

Who filleth the morning of thy life with good things, and reneweth thy youth like the eagle's.

The Lord executeth righteousness and judgment for all those who are oppressed.

He showed his ways unto Moses, his works unto the children of Israel.

The Lord is full of compassion and mercy, long suffering, and of great goodness.

He will not always be chiding; neither keepeth he his anger for ever.

He hath not dealt with us after our sins; nor rewarded us according to our wickednesses.

For as the heaven is high above the earth, so

great is his mercy toward those who fear him.

As far as the east is from the west, so far hath he removed our transgressions from us.

Yea, like as a father pitieth his own children; even so the Lord pitieth those who fear him.

For he knoweth our frame; he remembereth that we are but dust.

The days of man are but as grass; he flourisheth as a flower of the field.

For the wind passeth over it, and it is gone; and the place thereof shall know it no more.

But the merciful goodness of the Lord endureth for ever and ever upon those who fear him, and his righteousness upon children's children;

Even upon such as keep his covenant, and think upon his commandments to do them.

The Lord hath prepared his throne in heaven; and his kingdom ruleth over all.

O praise the Lord, ye angels of his, ye who excel in strength, ye who fulfil his commandment, and hearken unto the voice of his words.

O praise the Lord, all

ye his hosts, ye servants of his who do his pleasure.

O praise the Lord, all ye works of his, in all places of his dominion; praise thou the Lord, O my soul.

Now unto the King eternal, &c.

Be honour and glory, &c.

The Eighteenth Day.

MORNING PRAYER.

PSALM 104.

PRAISE the Lord, O my soul; O Lord my God, thou art exceeding glorious; thou art clothed with majesty and honour.

Thou deckest thyself with light as it were with a garment; and spreadest out the heavens like a curtain.

Who layeth the beams of his chambers in the waters, and maketh the clouds his chariot, and walketh upon the wings of the wind.

He maketh the winds his messengers, his ministers the flaming fires.

Who laid the foundations of the earth, that it should never be moved.

Thou coveredst it with

the deep as with a garment; the waters stood above the hills.

At thy rebuke they fled; at the voice of thy thunder they hasted away.

They sunk from the hills, down to the valleys beneath, even unto the place which thou hadst appointed for them.

Thou hast set them their bounds which they shall not pass, neither turn again to cover the earth.

Thou pourest out the springs into the rivers, which run among the hills.

All beasts of the field drink thereof, and the wild asses quench their thirst.

Beside them shall the fowls of the air have their habitation, and sing among the branches.

Thou waterest the hills from thy chambers; the earth is filled with the fruit of thy works.

He bringeth forth grass for the cattle, and green herb for the service of men;

That he may bring food out of the earth, and wine that maketh glad the heart of man, and oil to make him a cheerful countenance, and bread to strengthen man's heart.

The lofty trees also are satisfied, even the cedars of Lebanon which he hath planted;

Wherein the birds make their nests; and the fir trees are a dwelling for the stork.

The high hills are a refuge for the wild goats, and the stony rocks for the conies.

He appointeth the moon for certain seasons; and the sun knoweth his going down.

Thou makest darkness and it is night, wherein all the beasts of the forest do move.

The lions, roaring after their prey, do seek their meat from God.

The sun ariseth, and they get them away together, and lay them down in their dens.

Then man goeth forth to his work, and to his labour until the evening.

O Lord, how manifold are thy works! in wisdom hast thou made them all; the earth is full of thy riches.

So is the great and wide sea also, wherein move creatures innumerable, both small and great.

There go the ships, and

there the leviathan, which thou hast made to take his pastime therein.

These wait all upon thee, that thou mayest give them their meat in due season.

Thou givest it them, and they gather it; thou openest thy hand, they are filled with good.

Thou hidest thy face, they are troubled; thou takest away their breath, they die, and are turned again to their dust.

Thou sendest forth thy spirit, they are created; and thou renewest the face of the earth.

The glorious majesty of the Lord shall endure for ever; the Lord shall rejoice in his works.

He looketh on the earth, and it trembleth; he toucheth the hills, and they smoke.

I will sing unto the Lord as long as I live; I will praise my God, while I have my being.

And so shall my words please him; my joy shall be in the Lord.

As for sinners, they shall be consumed out of the earth, and the ungodly shall come to an end; praise thou the Lord, O my soul; praise the Lord,

Now unto the King eternal, &c.

Be honour and glory, &c.



EVENING PRAYER.

PSALM 107.

O GIVE thanks unto the Lord, for he is gracious, and his mercy endureth for ever.

Let them give thanks, whom the Lord hath redeemed, and delivered from the hand of the enemy;

And gathered them out of the lands, from the east, and from the west, from the north, and from the south.

They wandered in the wilderness in a solitary way, and found no city to dwell in;

Hungry and thirsty, their soul fainted in them.

So they cried unto the Lord in their trouble, and he delivered them from their distress.

He led them forth by the right way, that they might go to an inhabited city.

O that men would therefore praise the Lord for his goodness, and for the

wonders that he doeth for the children of men !

For he satisfieth the empty soul, and filleth the hungry soul with goodness.

Such as sit in darkness, and in the shadow of death, being fast bound in misery and iron ;

Because they rebelled against the words of the Lord, and lightly regarded the counsel of the Most High ;

He brought down their heart through calamity ; they fell down, and there was none to help them.

So they cried unto the Lord in their trouble, and he delivered them out of their distress.

For he brought them out of darkness, and out of the shadow of death, and brake their bonds in sunder.

O that men would therefore praise the Lord for his goodness, and for the wonders that he doeth for the children of men !

For he hath broken the gates of brass, and smitten the bars of iron in sunder.

Foolish men are afflict-

ed for their offences, and because of their wickedness.

Their soul refuseth all manner of food, and they are even at death's door.

So they cried unto the Lord in their trouble, and he delivered them out of their distress.

He sent his word, and healed them ; and they were saved from their destruction.

O that men would therefore praise the Lord for his goodness, and for the wonders that he doeth for the children of men !

That they would offer unto him the sacrifice of thanksgiving, and tell out his works with gladness !

They who go down to the sea in ships, and pursue their business in the great waters,

These men see the works of the Lord, and his wonders in the deep.

For at his word the stormy wind ariseth, which lifteth up the waves thereof.

They are carried up to the heaven, and down again to the depths ; their soul melteth away because of the trouble.

So they cry unto the Lord in their trouble, and he delivereth them out of their distress.

For he maketh the storm to cease, and the waves to be still.

Then are they glad because they are at rest ; and so he bringeth them unto the haven where they would be.

O that men would therefore praise the Lord for his goodness, and declare the wonders that he doeth for the children of men !

That they would exalt him also in the congregation of the people, and praise him in the assembly of the elders !

He turneth rivers into a wilderness, and watersprings into dry ground.

A fruitful land maketh he barren, for the wickedness of those who dwell therein.

Again he maketh the wilderness a standing water, and watersprings of a dry ground.

And there he setteth the hungry, that they may build them a city to dwell in ;

That they may sow their land, and plant vineyards, to yield them fruits of increase.

He blesseth them, so that they multiply exceedingly, and suffereth not their cattle to decrease.

And again, when they are minished and brought low through oppression, through any plague or trouble ;

Though he suffer them to be evil intreated through tyrants, and let them wander out of the way in the wilderness ;

Yet helpeth he the poor out of misery, and maketh him households like a flock.

The righteous will consider this and rejoice ; and the mouth of all wickedness shall be stopped.

Whoso is wise will ponder these things, and understand the loving kindness of the Lord.

Now unto the King eternal, &c.

Be honour and glory, &c.

The Nineteenth Day.

MORNING PRAYER.

PSALM 111.

I WILL give thanks unto the Lord with my whole heart, secretly among the faithful, and in the congregation.

The works of the Lord are great, sought out by all those who have pleasure therein.

His works are worthy to be praised and had in honour; and his righteousness endureth forever.

He hath made his wonderful works to be remembered; the Lord is gracious and full of compassion.

He hath given food unto those who fear him; for he will ever be mindful of his covenant.

He hath shown his people the power of his works, that he may give them the heritage of the heathen.

The works of his hands are verity and judgment; all his commandments are true.

They stand fast for ever and ever, and are done in truth and equity.

He sent redemption unto his people; he hath confirmed his covenant for ever; holy and reverend is his name.

The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom; a good understanding have all they who obey him; his praise endureth forever.

PSALM 112.

BLESSED is the man

who feareth the Lord, and who hath great delight in his commandments.

His posterity shall be mighty upon earth; the generation of the faithful shall be blessed.

Riches and plenteousness shall be in his house; and his righteousness endureth for ever.

Unto the godly there ariseth up light in the darkness; he is merciful, loving, and righteous.

A good man is merciful, and lendeth; and will guide his affairs with discretion.

Surely he shall never be moved; and the righteous shall be had in everlasting remembrance.

He will not be afraid of any evil tidings; for his heart standeth fast, and believeth in the Lord.

He hath dispersed abroad, and given to the poor; his righteousness remaineth for ever; his horn shall be exalted with honour.

Now unto the King eternal, &c.

Be honour and glory, &c



EVENING PRAYER.

PSALM 113,

PRAISE the Lord, ye

servants of his; O praise the name of the Lord.

Blessed be the name of the Lord, from this time forth for evermore.

Let the Lord's name be praised, from the rising up of the sun unto the going down of the same.

The Lord is high above all nations, and his glory above the heavens.

Who is like unto the Lord our God, who hath his dwelling so high, and yet humbleth himself to behold the things that are in heaven and earth?

He taketh up the simple out of the dust, and lifteth the poor out of the mire;

That he may set him with the princes, even with the princes of his people.

PSALM 115.

NOT unto us, O Lord, not unto us, but unto thy name give the praise, for thy loving mercy, and for thy truth's sake.

Wherefore shall the heathen say, Where is now their God?

As for our God, he is in heaven; he hath done whatsoever pleased him.

Their idols are silver and gold, even the work of men's hands.

They have mouths, but speak not; eyes have they, but see not.

They have ears, but hear not; noses have they, but smell not.

They have hands, but handle not; feet have they, and walk not; neither speak they through their throat.

They who make them are like unto them; and so are all they who put their trust in them.

But thou, house of Israel, trust thou in the Lord; he is their succour and defence.

Thou house of Aaron, trust thou in the Lord; he is their helper and defender.

Ye who fear the Lord, put your trust in the Lord; he is their helper and defender.

The Lord hath been mindful of us, and he will bless us; he will bless the house of Israel, he will bless the house of Aaron.

He will bless those who fear the Lord, both small and great.

The Lord shall increase you more and more, you and your children.

Ye are the blessed of the Lord, who made heaven and earth.

All the whole heavens
are the Lord's ; the earth
hath he given to the chil-
dren of men.

The dead praise not the
Lord, neither they who go
down into silence.

But we will praise the
Lord, from this time forth
for evermore. Praise the
Lord.

Now unto the King eter-
nal, &c.

Be honour and glory, &c.



The Twentieth Day.

MORNING PRAYER.

PSALM 116.

I LOVE the Lord, be-
cause he heard the voice
of my prayer.

He hath inclined his ear
unto me ; therefore will I
call upon him as long as I
live.

The snares of death com-
passed me round about ;
and the pains of the grave
took hold upon me.

I found trouble and
heaviness ; then I called
upon the name of the Lord ;
O Lord, I beseech thee,
deliver my soul.

Gracious is the Lord,
and righteous ; yea, our
God is merciful.

The Lord preserveth the
simple ; I was in misery,
and he helped me.

Turn again then unto
thy rest, O my soul ; for
the Lord hath dealt boun-
tifully with thee.

For thou hast delivered
my soul from death, mine
eyes from tears, and my
feet from falling.

I will walk before the
Lord in the land of the
living.

I believed and therefore
will I speak ; but I was
sore troubled ; I said in my
haste, All men are false.

What shall I render unto
the Lord for all the bene-
fits that he hath done unto
me ?

I will pour out the cup
of libation, and call upon
the name of the Lord.

I will pay my vows now
in the presence of all his
people ; right dear in the
sight of the Lord is the
death of his saints.

Behold, O Lord, I am
thy servant ; I am thy ser-
vant, and the son of thine
handmaid ; thou hast brok-
en my bonds in sunder.

I will offer to thee the
sacrifice of thanksgiving,
and will call upon the name
of the Lord.

I will pay my vows unto

the Lord, in the sight of
all his people, in the courts
of the Lord's house, even
in the midst of thee, O Je-
rusalem. Praise the Lord.

PSALM 117.

OPRAISE the Lord, all
ye people; praise him, all
ye nations.

For his merciful kind-
ness is great toward us;
and the truth of the Lord
endureth for ever. Praise
the Lord.

Now unto the King eter-
nal, &c.

Be honour and glory, &c.



EVENING PRAYER.

PSALM 118.

O GIVE thanks unto
the Lord, for he is gracious,
and his mercy endureth
for ever.

Let Israel now confess
that his mercy endureth
for ever.

Let the house of Aaron
now confess that his mercy
endureth for ever.

Yea, let those now who
fear the Lord confess that
his mercy endureth for ever.

I called upon the Lord
in trouble; and the Lord
heard and delivered me.

The Lord is on my side;
I will not fear what man
doeth unto me.

It is better to trust in the
Lord, than to put confi-
dence in man.

It is better to trust in the
Lord, than to put confi-
dence in princes.

The Lord is my strength
and my song, and is be-
come my salvation.

The voice of joy and
salvation is in the dwell-
ings of the righteous; the
right hand of the Lord
bringeth mighty things to
pass.

The right hand of the
Lord is exalted; the right
hand of the Lord bringeth
mighty things to pass.

I shall not die, but live,
and declare the works of
the Lord.

The Lord hath chasten-
ed and corrected me; but
he hath not given me over
unto death.

Open me the gates of
holiness, that I may go in-
to them, and give thanks
unto the Lord.

This is the gate of the
Lord, into which the right-
eous shall enter.

I will thank thee, for
thou hast heard me, and
art become my salvation.

The same stone which

the builders refused, is become the head stone in the corner.

This is the Lord's doing; and it is marvellous in our eyes.

This is the day which the Lord hath made; we will rejoice and be glad in it.

Save, now, O Lord; O Lord, send us now prosperity.

Blessed be he who cometh in the name of the Lord! we bless you, ye who are of the house of the Lord.

Thou art my God, and I will thank thee; thou art my God, and I will praise thee.

O give thanks unto the Lord, for he is gracious, and his mercy endureth for ever.

Now unto the King eternal, &c.

Be honour and glory, &c.

The Twentyfirst Day.

MORNING PRAYER.

PSALM 119.

ALEPH.

BLESSED are they who are undefiled in the way,

and walk in the law of the Lord.

Blessed are they who keep his testimonies, and seek him with their whole heart;

Who do no wickedness, but walk in his ways.

Thou hast charged that we shall diligently keep thy commandments.

O that my ways were so directed, that I might keep thy statutes!

So shall I not be confounded, while I have respect unto all thy commandments.

I will thank thee with an unfeigned heart, when I shall have learned thy righteous judgments.

I will keep thy laws; O forsake me not utterly.

BETH.

WHEREWITHAL shall a young man cleanse his way? even by ruling himself after thy word.

With my whole heart have I sought thee; O let me not go wrong out of thy commandments.

Thy words have I hid within my heart, that I should not sin against thee.

Blessed art thou, O Lord; O teach me thy statutes.

With my lips have I been

telling of all the judgments
of thy mouth.

I have had as great de-
light in the way of thy tes-
timonies, as in all manner
of riches.

I will meditate on thy
commandments, and have
respect unto thy ways.

My delight shall be in
thy statutes, and I will not
forget thy word.

Now unto the King eter-
nal, &c.

Be honour and glory, &c.



EVENING PRAYER.

PSALM 119.

GIMEL.

O DEAL kindly unto thy
servant, that I may live,
and keep thy word.

Open thou mine eyes,
that I may see the won-
drous things of thy law.

I am a stranger upon
earth; O hide not thy com-
mandments from me.

My soul trembles for the
very fervent desire that it
hath alway unto thy judg-
ments.

Thou hast rebuked the
proud; and cursed are they
who do err from thy com-
mandments.

O turn from me reproach

and contempt; for I have
kept thy testimonies.

Though princes did sit
and speak against me, thy
servant is occupied in thy
statutes.

For thy testimonies are
my delight and my coun-
sellors.

DALETH.

MY soul cleaveth to the
dust; O quicken thou me
according to thy word.

I have acknowledged my
ways, and thou heardest
me; O teach me thy stat-
utes.

Make me to understand
the way of thy command-
ments; and so shall I talk
of thy wondrous works.

My soul melteth away
for very heaviness; com-
fort thou me according un-
to thy word.

Remove me from the
deceitful way; and cause
thou me to make much of
thy law.

I have chosen the way of
truth; and thy judgments
have I laid before me.

I have kept close unto
thy testimonies; O Lord,
confound me not.

I will run the way of thy
commandments, when thou
hast set my heart at lib-
erty.

Now unto the King eternal, &c.

Be honour and glory, &c.

in thy commandments ; O quicken me in thy righteousness.

VAU.

The Twentysecond Day.

MORNING PRAYER.

PSALM 119.

HE.

TEACH me, O Lord, the way of thy statutes ; and I shall keep it unto the end.

Give me understanding, and I shall keep thy law ; yea I shall keep it with my whole heart.

Make me to go in the path of thy commandments ; for therein is my desire.

Incline my heart unto thy testimonies, and not to covetousness.

O turn away mine eyes, lest they behold vanity ; and quicken thou me in thy way.

O establish thy word in thy servant, that I may fear thee.

Take away the reproach that I am afraid of ; for thy judgments are good.

Behold, my delight is

LET thy loving mercy come unto me, O Lord, even thy salvation, according unto thy word.

So shall I make answer unto those who reproach me ; for my trust is in thy word.

O take not the word of thy truth utterly out of my mouth ; for my hope is in thy judgments.

So shall I always keep thy law ; yea for ever and ever.

And I will walk at liberty ; for I seek thy commandments.

I will speak of thy testimonies also, even before kings, and will not be ashamed.

And my delight shall be in thy commandments, which I have loved.

My hands also will I lift up unto thy commandments, which I have loved ; and my study shall be in thy statutes.

Now unto the King eternal, &c.

Be honour and glory, &c.

EVENING PRAYER.

PSALM 119.

ZAIN.

O THINK upon thy word of promise to thy servant, wherein thou hast caused me to put my trust.

The same is my comfort in my trouble; for thy word hath quickened me.

The proud have had me exceedingly in derision; yet have I not shrunk from thy law.

For I remembered thy judgments of old, O Lord, and received comfort.

Horror hath taken hold upon me, because of the wicked who forsake thy law.

Thy statutes have been my songs in the house of my pilgrimage.

I have thought upon thy name, O Lord, in the night season; and have kept thy law.

I esteemed myself rich, in that I kept thy commandments.

CHETH.

THOU art my portion, O Lord; I have promised to keep thy law.

I entreated thy favour with my whole heart; O

be merciful unto me according to thy word.

I called my ways to remembrance, and turned my feet unto thy testimonies.

I made haste, and delayed not to keep thy commandments.

The bands of the ungodly have robbed me; but I have not forgotten thy law.

At midnight I will rise to give thanks unto thee, because of thy righteous judgments.

I am a companion of all those who fear thee and keep thy commandments.

The earth, O Lord, is full of thy mercy; O teach me thy statutes.

Now unto the King eternal, &c.

Be honour and glory, &c.

The Twentythird Day.

MORNING PRAYER.

PSALM 119.

TETH.

O Lord, thou hast dealt graciously with thy servant according unto thy word.

O teach me true understanding and knowledge; for I have believed thy commandments.

Before I was afflicted, I went astray; but now have I kept thy word.

Thou art good and doest good; O teach me thy statutes.

The proud have forged a lie against me; but I will keep thy commandments with my whole heart.

It is good for me that I have been in trouble, that I may learn thy statutes.

The law of thy mouth is dearer unto me than thousands of gold and silver.

JOB.

THY hands have made me, and fashioned me; O give me understanding, that I may learn thy commandments.

They who fear thee, will be glad when they see me, because I have put my trust in thy word.

I know, O Lord, that thy judgments are right, and that thou of very faithfulness hast caused me to be troubled.

O let thy merciful kindness be my comfort, according to thy word unto thy servant.

O let thy loving mercies come unto me, that I may live; for thy law is my delight.

Let such as fear thee, and have known thy testimonies be turned unto me.

O let my heart be sound in thy statutes, that I be not ashamed.

CAPH.

MY soul hath longed for thy salvation; and I have a good hope because of thy word.

Mine eyes languish for thy word, saying, O when wilt thou comfort me?

O quicken me after thy loving kindness; and so shall I keep the testimonies of thy mouth.

Now unto the King eternal, &c.

Be honour and glory, &c —

EVENING PRAYER.

PSALM 119.

LAMED.

O LORD, thy word endureth for ever in heaven.

Thy truth also remaineth from one generation to another; thou hast laid the foundation of the earth, and it abideth.

They continue this day according to thine ordinance; for all things serve thee.

If my delight had not been in thy law, I should have perished in my misery.

I will never forget thy commandments; for with them thou hast quickened me.

I am thine; O save me; for I have sought thy commandments.

The ungodly laid wait for me, to destroy me; but I will consider thy testimonies.

I see that all things come to an end; but thy commandment is eternal.

MEM.

O HOW I love thy law! all the day long is my study in it!

Thou through thy commandments hast made me wiser than mine enemies; for they are ever with me.

I have more understanding than my teachers; for thy testimonies are my study.

I am wiser than the aged; because I keep thy commandments.

I have refrained my feet

from every evil way, because I keep thy word.

I have not shrunk from thy judgments; for thou teachest me.

How sweet are thy words unto my taste, yea, sweeter than honey unto my mouth.

Through thy commandments I get understanding; therefore I hate all evil ways.

Now unto the King eternal, &c.

Be honour and glory, &c.



The Twentyfourth Day.

MORNING PRAYER.

PSALM 119.

NUN.

THY word is a lamp unto my feet, and a light unto my paths.

I have sworn, and am steadfastly purposed to keep thy righteous judgments.

I am troubled above measure; revive me, O Lord, according to thy word.

Let the free will offerings of my mouth please thee, O Lord; and teach thou me thy judgments.

My life is in constant peril; yet do I not forget thy law.

The ungodly have laid a snare for me; but yet I swerved not from thy commandments.

Thy testimonies have I claimed as mine heritage for ever; and why? they are the very joy of my heart.

I have applied my heart to fulfil thy statutes, which are an everlasting reward.

SAMECH.

I HATE wicked imaginations; but thy law do I love.

Thou art my defence and shield; and my trust is in thy word.

Depart from me, ye wicked; I will keep the commandments of my God.

O stablish me according to thy word, that I may live; and let me not be disappointed of my hope.

Hold thou me up, and I shall be safe; yea, my delight shall be ever in thy statutes.

Thou hast trodden down all those who depart from thy statutes; for they imagine but deceit.

Thou puttest away all the ungodly of the earth

like dross; therefore I love thy testimonies.

My flesh trembleth for fear of thee, and I am afraid of thy judgments.

AIN.

I HAVE done judgment and justice; O give me not over unto mine oppressors.

O lead thy servant in safety, that the proud do me no wrong.

Mine eyes are wasted away with looking for thy health, and, for the word of thy righteousness.

O deal with thy servant according unto thy loving mercy, and teach me thy statutes.

I am thy servant; O grant me understanding, that I may know thy testimonies.

It is time for thee, Lord, to execute judgment; for they have set at nought thy law.

For I love thy commandments above gold and precious stones.

Therefore I direct my way according to all thy commandments; and all false ways I utterly abhor.

Now unto the King eternal, &c.

Be honour and glory, &c.

ENING PRAYER.

PSALM 119.

PE.

Y testimonies are
ful ; therefore doth
I keep them.

Thy word goeth
it giveth light and
standing unto the

opened my mouth, and
for thy command-
; for they are my ex-
; delight.

Look thou upon me,
merciful unto me,
usest to do unto
who love thy name.
Order my steps in thy
and let no wicked-
have dominion over

Deliver me from the
evil dealings of men ;
shall I keep thy
commandments.

With the light of thy
grace upon thy ser-
and teach me thy
statutes.

My eyes gush out with
of water, because
I keep not thy law.

TZADDI.

Righteous art thou,
and true is thy
promise.

The testimonies that
thou hast commanded are
exceeding righteous and
true.

My indignation hath con-
sumed me, because mine
enemies have forgotten thy
words.

Thy word is approved to
the uttermost ; and thy ser-
vant loveth it.

I am small, and of no
reputation ; yet do I not
forget thy commandments.

Thy righteousness is an
everlasting righteousness ;
and thy law is the truth.

When trouble and heavi-
ness take hold upon me,
my delight is in thy com-
mandments.

The righteousness of
thy testimonies is everlast-
ing ; O grant me under-
standing, and I shall live.

KOPH.

I CALL with my whole
heart ; hear me, O Lord ;
I will keep thy statutes.

Yea, even unto thee do
I call ; help me, and I shall
keep thy testimonies.

Early in the morning do
I cry unto thee ; for in thy
word is my trust.

Mine eyes anticipate the
night watches, that I might
be occupied in thy words.

Hear my voice, O Lord,

according unto thy loving kindness; quicken me according as thou art wont.

They draw nigh who of malice persecute me, and are far from thy law.

But thou also art nigh, O Lord; all thy commandments are true.

Concerning thy testimonies, I have known long since, that thou hast established them for ever.

Now unto the King eternal, &c.

Be honour and glory, &c.

me; yet do I not swerve from thy testimonies.

It grieveth me, when I see the transgressors, because they keep not thy law.

Consider, O Lord, how I love thy commandments; O revive me according to thy loving kindness.

Thy word is true from everlasting; all the judgments of thy righteousness endure for evermore.

SCHIN.

PRINCES have persecuted me without a cause; but my heart standeth in awe of thy word.

I am as glad of thy word as one who findeth great spoils.

As for lies, I hate and abhor them; but thy law do I love.

Seven times a day do I praise thee, because of thy righteous judgments.

Great is the peace that they have who love thy law; and nothing shall offend them.

Lord, I have looked for thy saving health, and done after thy commandments.

My soul hath kept thy testimonies, and loved them exceedingly.

I have kept thy com-

The Twentyfifth Day.

MORNING PRAYER.

PSALM 119.

RESH.

O CONSIDER mine adversity, and deliver me; for I do not forget thy law.

Plead thou my cause, and deliver me; preserve me according to thy word.

Salvation is far from the ungodly; for they regard not thy statutes.

Great is thy mercy, O Lord; quicken me according to thy judgments.

Many there are who trouble me, and persecute

mandments and testimonies; for all my ways are before thee.

TAU.

LET my prayer come before thee, O Lord; give me understanding according to thy word.

Let my supplication come before thee; deliver me according to thy word.

My lips shall speak of thy praise, when thou hast taught me thy statutes.

Yea, my tongue shall speak of thy word; for all thy commandments are righteous.

Let thine hand help me; for I have chosen thy commandments.

I have longed for thy saving health, O Lord; and in thy law is my delight.

O let my soul live, and it shall praise thee; and thy judgments shall help me.

I have gone astray like a sheep that is lost; O seek thy servant, for I do not forget thy commandments.

Now unto the King eternal, &c.

Be honour and glory, &c.

EVENING PRAYER.

PSALM 121.

I WILL lift up mine eyes unto the hills from whence cometh my help.

My help cometh even from the Lord, who hath made heaven and earth.

He will not suffer thy foot to be moved; and he who keepeth thee will not sleep.

Behold, he who keepeth Israel, shall neither slumber nor sleep.

The Lord himself is thy keeper; the Lord is thy defence upon thy right hand;

So that the sun shall not smite thee by day, neither the moon by night.

The Lord shall preserve thee from all evil; yea, it is even he who shall keep thy soul.

The Lord shall preserve thy going out and thy coming in, from this time forth for evermore.

PSALM 122.

I WAS glad, when they said unto me, Let us go into the house of the Lord.

Our feet shall stand in thy gates, O Jerusalem.

Jerusalem is built as a city, that is in unity in itself.

For thither the tribes go up, even the tribes of the Lord, according to the law of Israel, to give thanks unto the name of the Lord.

For there is the seat of judgment, even the throne of the house of David.

O pray for the peace of Jerusalem; they shall prosper who love thee.

Peace be within thy walls, and prosperity within thy palaces.

For my brethren and companions' sakes, I will wish thee prosperity.

Yea, because of the house of the Lord our God, I will seek to do thee good.

Now unto the King eternal, &c.

Be honour and glory, &c.

The Twentysixth Day.

MORNING PRAYER.

PSALM 123.

UNTO thee lift I up mine eyes, O thou who dwellest in the heavens;

Behold, even as the eyes of servants look unto the hand of their masters, and as the eyes of a maiden

unto the hand of her mistress;

Even so our eyes wait upon the Lord our God, until he have mercy upon us.

Have mercy upon us, O Lord, have mercy upon us; for we are utterly despised.

Our soul is filled with the insolence of the prosperous, and with the despitefulness of the proud.

PSALM 124.

IF the Lord himself had not been on our side, now may Israel say, if the Lord himself had not been on our side, when men rose up against us;

They had swallowed us up quick, when they were so wrathfully displeased at us;

Yea, the waters had drowned us; and the stream had gone over our soul;

The proud waters had gone over our soul.

But praised be the Lord, who hath not given us over for a prey unto their teeth.

Our soul is escaped, even as a bird out of the snare of the fowler; the

snare is broken, and we are delivered.

Our help is in the name of the Lord, who hath made heaven and earth.

PSALM 125.

THEY who put their trust in the Lord, shall be even as the mount Sion, which may not be removed, but standeth fast for ever.

As the hills stand about Jerusalem, even so standeth the Lord round about his people, from this time forth for evermore.

For the sceptre of the ungodly shall not rule over the righteous; unless the righteous put their hand unto wickedness.

Do well, O Lord, unto those who are good and true of heart.

As for such as turn aside unto their crooked ways, the Lord shall lead them forth with the evil doers; but peace shall be upon Israel.

Now unto the King eternal, &c.

Be honour and glory, &c.

EVENING PRAYER.

PSALM 126.

WHEN the Lord turned

again the captivity of Sion, then were we like unto those who dream.

Then was our mouth filled with laughter, and our tongue with joy.

Then said they among the heathen, The Lord hath done great things for them.

Yea, the Lord hath done great things for us, whereof we rejoice.

Thou hast turned our captivity, O Lord, as the rivers in the south.

They who sow in tears, shall reap in joy.

He who now goeth on his way weeping, and beareth forth good seed, shall doubtless come again with joy, and bring his sheaves with him.

PSALM 127.

EXCEPT the Lord build the house, their labour is but lost who build it.

Except the Lord keep the city, the watchman waketh but in vain.

It is but lost labour that ye haste to rise up early, and so late take rest, and eat the bread of carefulness; for surely he giveth his beloved sleep.

Lo, children are an her-

itage and gift that cometh of the Lord. *The Twentyseventh Day.*

Like as the arrows in the hand of the giant, even so are the young children.

Happy is the man who hath his quiver full of them; they shall not be ashamed when they speak with their enemies in the gate.

PSALM 128.

BLESSED is he who feareth the Lord, and walketh in his ways.

For thou shalt eat the labour of thine hands; O blessed art thou, and happy shalt thou be.

Thy wife shall be as the fruitful vine upon the walls of thine house.

Thy children like the olive plants round about thy table.

Lo, thus shall the man be blessed, who feareth the Lord.

The Lord from out of Sion shall so bless thee, that thou shalt see Jerusalem in prosperity all thy life long;

Yea, that thou shalt see thy children's children, and peace upon Israel.

Now unto the King eternal, &c.

Be honour and glory, &c.

MORNING PRAYER.

PSALM 130.

OUT of the deep have I called unto thee, O Lord; Lord, hear my voice.

O let thine ears consider well the voice of my complaint.

If thou, Lord, wilt be extreme to mark what is done amiss, O Lord, who may abide it?

For there is mercy with thee; therefore shalt thou be feared.

I look for the Lord; my soul doth wait for him; in his word is my trust.

My soul fleeth unto the Lord, before the morning watch; I say, before the morning watch.

O Israel, trust in the Lord; for with the Lord there is mercy, and with him is plenteous redemption.

And he shall redeem Israel from all his sins.

PSALM 131.

LORD, my heart is not haughty, nor mine eyes lofty.

I will not exercise myself in great matters, which are too high for me;

But will refrain my soul and keep it low, like as a child that is weaned from his mother; yea, my soul shall be even as a weaned child.

O Israel, trust in the Lord, from this time forth for evermore.

PSALM 132.

LORD, remember David, and all his troubles;

How he sware unto the Lord, and vowed a vow unto the Almighty God of Jacob;

I will not come within the tabernacle of mine house, nor climb up into my bed;

I will not suffer mine eyes to sleep, nor mine eyelids to slumber;

Until I find out a place for the temple of the Lord, an habitation for the mighty God of Jacob.

We will go into his tabernacle, we will worship before his footstool.

Arise, O Lord, into thy resting place, thou, and the ark of thy strength.

Let thy priests be clothed with righteousness; and let thy saints sing with joyfulness.

For thy servant David's

sake, turn not away the face of thine anointed.

The Lord hath made a faithful oath unto David, and he shall not shrink from it;

Of the fruit of thy body shall I set upon thy throne.

If thy children will keep my covenant, and my testimonies that I shall teach them, their children also shall sit upon thy throne for evermore.

For the Lord hath chosen Sion; he hath desired it for his habitation.

This shall be my rest for ever; here will I dwell, for I have a delight therein.

I will bless her provision with increase; and will satisfy her poor with bread.

I will clothe her priests with salvation; and her saints shall rejoice and sing.

Now unto the King eternal, &c.

Be honour and glory, &c.

 EVENING PRAYER.

PSALM 133.

BEHOLD, how good and joyful a thing it is, for

brethren to dwell together in unity.

It is like the precious ointment upon the head, that ran down upon the beard, even unto Aaron's beard, and went down to the skirts of his clothing ;

Like as the dew of Hermon, and the dew which falleth upon the hill of Sion.

For there the Lord promised his blessing, and life for evermore.

PSALM 134.

O PRAISE the Lord, all ye servants of the Lord ;

Ye who by night stand in the house of the Lord, even in the courts of the house of our God.

Lift up your hands in the sanctuary, and praise the Lord.

The Lord who made heaven and earth, give thee his blessing out of Sion.

PSALM 135.

O PRAISE the Lord ; praise ye the name of the Lord ; praise it, O ye servants of the Lord.

Ye who stand in the house of the Lord, in the courts of the house of our God.

O praise the Lord, for the Lord is gracious ; O sing praises unto his name, for it is lovely.

The Lord hath chosen Jacob unto himself, and Israel for his own possession.

For I know that the Lord is great, and that our Lord is above all gods.

Whatsoever the Lord pleased, that doeth he in heaven and in earth, in the sea, and in all depths.

He bringeth forth the clouds from the ends of the world, and sendeth forth lightnings with the rain, bringing the winds out of his treasures.

Thy name, O Lord, endureth for ever ; and thy memorial, O Lord, from one generation to another.

For the Lord will defend his people, and be gracious unto his servants.

As for the idols of the heathen, they are but silver and gold, the work of men's hands.

They have mouths, and speak not ; eyes have they, but they see not.

They have ears, and yet they hear not ; neither is there any breath in their mouths.

They who make them

are like unto them ; and so are all they who put their trust in them.

Praise the Lord, ye house of Israel ; praise the Lord, ye house of Aaron.

Praise the Lord, ye house of Levi ; ye who fear the Lord, praise the Lord.

Now unto the King eternal, &c.

Be honour and glory, &c.



The Twentyeighth Day.

MORNING PRAYER.

PSALM 136.

O GIVE thanks unto the Lord ; for he is gracious, and his mercy endureth for ever.

O give thanks unto the God of all gods ; for his mercy endureth for ever.

O thank the Lord of all lords ; for his mercy endureth for ever.

Who only doeth great wonders ; for his mercy endureth for ever.

Who by his excellent wisdom made the heavens ; for his mercy endureth for ever.

Who laid out the earth

above the waters ; for his mercy endureth for ever.

Who hath made great lights ; for his mercy endureth for ever.

The sun to rule by day ; for his mercy endureth for ever.

The moon and the stars to govern the night ; for his mercy endureth for ever.

Who remembereth us when we are in trouble ; for his mercy endureth for ever.

And hath delivered us from our enemies ; for his mercy endureth for ever.

Who giveth food to all flesh ; for his mercy endureth for ever.

O give thanks unto the God of heaven ; for his mercy endureth ever.

PSALM 138.

I WILL give thanks unto thee, O Lord, with my whole heart ; even before princes will I sing praise unto thee.

I will worship toward thy holy temple, and praise thy name, because of thy loving kindness and truth ; for thou hast magnified thy name and thy word above all things.

When I called upon thee,

thou heardest me, and enduedst my soul with much strength.

All the kings of the earth shall praise thee, O Lord, when they shall have heard the words of thy mouth.

Yea, they shall sing of thy ways, that great is the glory of the Lord.

For though the Lord be high, yet hath he respect unto the lowly ; as for the proud, he beholdeth them afar off.

Though I walk in the midst of trouble, yet shalt thou refresh me ; thou shalt stretch forth thine hand upon the furiousness of mine enemies, and thy right hand shall save me.

The Lord shall make good his loving kindness toward me ; yea, thy mercy, O Lord, endureth for ever ; despise not then the works of thine own hands.

Now unto the King eternal, &c.

Be honour and glory, &c.

EVENING PRAYER.

PSALM 139.

O LORD, thou hast searched me out, and

known me ; thou knowest my downsitte, and mine uprising ; thou understandest my thoughts afar off.

Thou art about my path, and about my bed, and beholdest all my ways.

For lo, there is not a word in my tongue, but thou, O Lord, knowest it altogether.

Thou dost compass me behind and before, and layest thine hand upon me.

Such knowledge is too wonderful and excellent for me ; I cannot attain unto it.

Whither shall I go then from thy spirit ? or whither shall I flee from thy presence ?

If I climb up into heaven, thou art there ; if I go down to the grave, thou art there also.

If I take the wings of the morning, and dwell in the uttermost parts of the sea ;

Even there also shall thy hand lead me, and thy right hand shall hold me.

If I say, Peradventure the darkness shall cover me ; even the night shall be light about me.

Yea, the darkness is no darkness with thee ; but

the night is as clear as the day ; the darkness and light to thee are both alike.

I will give thanks unto thee, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made ; marvellous are thy works, and that my soul knoweth right well.

My bones were not hid from thee, when I was made secretly, and fashioned beneath in the earth.

Thine eyes did see my substance, yet being imperfect ; and in thy book were all my members written ;

Which day by day were fashioned, when as yet there was none of them.

How dear are thy thoughts unto me, O God ! O how great is the sum of them !

If I should count them, they are more in number than the sand ; when I rise up, I am still meditating upon them.

Try me, O God, and seek the ground of my heart ; prove me, and examine my thoughts.

Look well if there be any way of wickedness in me, and lead me in the way everlasting.

Now unto the King eternal, &c.

Be honour and glory, &c.

The Twentyninth Day.

MORNING PRAYER.

PSALM 141.

LORD, I call upon thee ; haste thee unto me, and consider my voice, when I cry unto thee.

Let my prayer be set forth in thy sight as the incense ; and let the lifting up of my hands be an evening sacrifice.

Set a watch, O Lord, before my mouth, and keep the door of my lips.

O let not mine heart be inclined to any evil thing ; let me not be occupied in ungodly works, with wicked men, nor eat of such things as please them.

Let the righteous smite me, it shall be a kindness ; let him reprove me, it shall be an oil to my head which I will not refuse ; for yet my prayer shall be for them in their calamities.

Our bones lie scattered at the grave's mouth, like as when one breaketh and heweth wood upon the earth.

But mine eyes look unto thee, O Lord God ; in thee is my trust ; O cast not out my soul.

PSALM 142.

I CRIED unto the Lord with my voice ; yea, even unto the Lord did I make my supplication.

I poured out my complaints before him ; and showed him of my trouble.

When my spirit was in heaviness, thou knewest my path ; in the way wherein I walked, have they privily laid a snare for me.

I looked also upon my right hand, and saw there was no man who would know me.

I had no place to flee unto ; and no man cared for my soul.

I cried unto thee, O Lord, and said, Thou art my hope, and my portion in the land of the living.

Consider my complaint ; for I am brought very low.

O deliver me from my persecutors ; for they are stronger than I.

Bring my soul out of prison, that I may give thanks unto thy name ; the righteous shall compass me about, when thou hast dealt so bountifully with me.

PSALM 143.

HEAR my prayer, O Lord, and consider my de-

sire ; hearken unto me for thy truth and righteousness' sake.

And enter not into judgment with thy servant ; for in thy sight shall no man living be justified.

I remember the days of old ; I muse upon all thy works ; yea, I meditate on the works of thy hands.

I stretch forth my hands unto thee ; my soul gaspeth unto thee as a thirsty land.

Hear me, O Lord, and that soon, for my spirit waxeth faint ; hide not thy face from me, lest I be like unto those who go down into the pit.

O let me hear thy loving kindness betimes in the morning, for in thee is my trust ; show thou me the way that I should walk in, for I lift up my soul unto thee.

Deliver me, O Lord, from mine enemies ; for I flee unto thee to hide me.

Teach me to do the thing that pleaseth thee ; for thou art my God ; let thy loving Spirit lead me forth into the land of righteousness.

Quicken me, O Lord, for thy name's sake ; and for thy righteousness' sake bring my soul out of trouble.

Now unto the King eternal, &c.

Be honour and glory, &c.

EVENING PRAYER.

PSALM 144.

BLESSED be the Lord, my strength; my hope and my fortress; my castle and deliverer; my defender in whom I trust.

Lord, what is man, that thou hast such respect unto him? or the son of man, that thou so regardest him?

Man is like a thing of nought; his time passeth away like a shadow.

Bow thy heavens, O Lord, and come down; touch the mountains, and they shall smoke.

Send down thine hand from above; deliver me, and take me out of the great waters, from the hand of strange nations;

Whose mouth talketh of vanity, and their right hand is a right hand of wickedness.

I will sing a new song unto thee, O God; and sing praises unto thee upon a ten stringed lute.

Save me, and deliver me from the hand of strange nations, *whose mouth talk-*

eth of vanity, and their right hand is a right hand of iniquity;

That our sons may grow up as the young plants; and that our daughters may be as the polished columns of the temple;

That our garners may be full and plenteous with all manner of store; that our sheep may bring forth thousands, and ten thousands in our streets;

That our oxen may be strong to labour; that there be no decay, no leading into captivity, and no complaining in our streets.

Happy are the people that are in such a case; yea, blessed are the people whose God is the Lord.

PSALM 146.

PRAISE the Lord, O my soul; while I live will I praise the Lord; yea, as long as I have any being I will sing praises unto my God.

O put not your trust in princes, nor in any child of man; for there is no help in them.

For when the breath of man goeth forth, he shall turn again to his earth; and then all his thoughts perish.

Blessed is he who hath
the God of Jacob for his
help, and whose hope is in
the Lord his God;

Who made heaven and
earth, the sea, and all that
therein is; who keepeth
his promise for ever;

Who helpeth those to
right who suffer wrong;
who feedeth the hungry.

The Lord looseth men
out of prison; the Lord
openeth the eyes of the
blind.

The Lord helpeth those
who are fallen; the Lord
careth for the righteous.

The Lord careth for the
strangers; he defendeth
the fatherless and widow;
but the way of the ungodly
he doth utterly overturn.

The Lord shall reign for
ever; even thy God, O Si-
on, unto all generations.
Praise ye the Lord.

Now unto the King eter-
nal, &c.

Be honour and glory, &c.



The Thirtieth Day.

MORNING PRAYER.

PSALM 147.

O PRAISE the Lord;
for it is a good thing to

sing praises unto our God;
yea, a joyful and pleasant
thing it is to be thankful.

The Lord doth build up
Jerusalem, and gather to-
gether the outcasts of Is-
rael.

He healeth those who
are broken in heart, and
bindeth up their wounds.

He telleth the number
of the stars; and calleth
them all by their names.

Great is our Lord, and
great is his power; yea,
and his wisdom is infinite.

The Lord lifteth up the
meek; and bringeth ~~he~~
ungodly down to the ground.

O sing unto the Lord
with thanksgiving; sing
praises upon the harp unto
our God;

Who covereth the heav-
en with clouds, and pre-
pareth rain for the earth,
and maketh the grass to
grow upon the mountains;

Who giveth fodder unto
the cattle, and feedeth the
young ravens who cry.

He hath no pleasure in
the strength of the horse;
neither delighteth he in the
force of man.

But the Lord's delight
is in those who fear him,
and put their trust in his
mercy.

Praise the Lord, O Je-

rusalem; praise thy God,
O Sion.

For he hath made fast
the bars of thy gates; and
hath blessed thy children
within thee.

He maketh peace in thy
borders; and filleth thee
with the finest of the
wheat.

He sendeth forth his
commandment upon earth;
and his word is instantly
obeyed.

He giveth snow like
wool; he scattereth the
hoarfrost like ashes.

He casteth forth his ice
like morsels; who can stand
before his cold?

He sendeth out his word
and melteth them; he blow-
eth with his wind, and the
waters flow.

He showeth his word
unto Jacob, his statutes
and ordinances unto Israel.

He hath not dealt so
with any nation; neither
have the heathen know-
ledge of his laws. Praise
ye the Lord.

Now unto the King eter-
nal, &c.

Be honour and glory, &c.

EVENING PRAYER.

PSALM 148.

PRAISE ye the Lord.

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Praise ye the Lord from
the heavens; praise him in
the height.

Praise him, all ye an-
gels of his; praise him, all
his hosts.

Praise him, sun and
moon; praise him, all ye
stars and light.

Praise him, ye heavens
of heavens, and ye waters
of the skies.

Let them praise the
name of the Lord, for he
commanded, and they
were created.

He hath made them fast
for ever and ever; he hath
given them a law which
shall not be broken.

Praise the Lord upon
earth, ye whales, and all
deeps;

Fire and hail, snow and
vapours, wind and storm,
fulfilling his word;

Mountains and all hills,
fruitful trees and all ce-
dars;

Beasts and all cattle,
creeping things and feath-
ered fowls;

Kings of the earth and
all people, princes and all
judges of the world;

Young men and maid-
ens, old men and children;
praise the name of the
Lord; for his name alone
is excellent, and his praise
is above heaven and earth.

He shall increase the glory of his people ; all his saints shall praise him, even the children of Israel, even the people that serveth him. Praise ye the Lord.

PSALM 149.

PRAISE ye the Lord. Sing unto the Lord a new song ; let the congregation of saints praise him.

Let Israel rejoice in him who made him ; and let the children of Sion be joyful in their king.

For the Lord hath pleasure in his people ; he will beautify the meek with salvation.

Let the saints be joyful with glory ; let them re-

joice in their congregations.

PSALM 150.

PRAISE ye the Lord. Praise God for his holiness. Praise him in the firmament of his power.

Praise him for his noble acts ; praise him according to his excellent greatness.

Praise him with the sound of the trumpet ; praise him upon the lute and harp.

Praise him upon the well tuned cymbals ; praise him upon the loud cymbals.

Let every thing that hath breath praise the Lord - Praise ye the Lord.

Now unto the King eternal, &c.

Be honour and glory, &c.

ANTHEMS AND PSALMS.

FOR CHRISTMAS DAY.

ANTHEM.

To be used at Morning Prayer, instead of the Psalm, O come; let us sing, &c.

GLORY be to God in the highest, on earth peace, good will toward men.

Blessed are the people who know the joyful sound; they shall walk, O Lord, in the light of thy countenance;

Through the tender mercies of our God, whereby the day spring from on high hath visited us;

To give light to those who sit in darkness and in the shadow of death, and to guide our feet in the way of peace.

How beautiful on the

mountains are the feet of him who bringeth good tidings; who publisheth peace, who bringeth good tidings of good, who publisheth salvation, who saith unto Sion, Thy God reigneth.

There is sprung up a light for the righteous, and joyful gladness for such as are true of heart.

Rejoice in the Lord, ye righteous, and give thanks at the remembrance of his holiness.

Sing unto the Lord, and praise his name; be telling of his salvation from day to day.

Let all those who seek him be joyful and glad in him, and let all such as love his salvation say always, The Lord be praised.

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PROPER PSALMS.

MORNING PRAYER.

PSALM 45.

MY heart is inditing joyful words; I speak of the things concerning the King; my tongue is as the pen of a ready scribe.

Thou art the fairest of the children of men; full of grace are thy lips; for God hath blessed thee for ever.

Gird thy sword upon thy thigh, O thou Mighty One, with thy glory and thy majesty.

And in thy majesty ride prosperously, for the cause of truth and meekness and righteousness; and thy right hand shall teach thee terrible things.

Thy throne, O God, endureth for ever; the sceptre of thy kingdom is a right sceptre.

Thou hast loved righteousness, and hated iniquity; wherefore God, even thy God, hath anointed thee with the oil of gladness above thy fellows.

I will make thy name to be remembered to all generations; so that the people shall praise thee for ever and ever.

PSALM 85.

LORD, thou art become gracious unto thy land; thou hast turned away the captivity of Jacob.

Thou hast forgiven the offence of thy people, and covered all their sins.

Thou hast taken away all thy displeasure, and turned thyself from thy wrathful indignation.

Turn us then, O God our Saviour, and let thine anger cease from us.

Wilt thou be displeased at us for ever? and wilt thou stretch out thy wrath from one generation to another?

Wilt thou not turn again and quicken us, that thy people may rejoice in thee?

Show us thy mercy, O Lord, and grant us thy salvation.

I will hear what God the Lord will speak; for he will speak peace to his people and his saints; only let them not return to their folly again.

For his salvation is nigh those who fear him, that glory may dwell in our land.

Mercy and truth are met together; righteousness and peace have kissed each other.

Truth shall flourish out

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of the earth ; and 'righteousness hath looked down from heaven.

Yea, the Lord shall show his loving kindness ; and our land shall yield her increase.

Righteousness shall go before him ; and shall keep his path continually.

Now unto the King eternal, &c.

Be honour and glory, &c.

EVENING PRAYER.

PSALM 110.

THE Lord said unto my lord, Sit thou on my right hand, until I make thine enemies thy footstool.

The Lord shall send the sceptre of thy power out of Sion ; rule thou in the midst of thine enemies.

In the day of thy power shall the people offer thee free will offerings with an holy worship ; the dew of thy birth is of the womb of the morning.

The Lord sware, and will not repent, Thou art a priest for ever after the order of Melchisedeck.

The Lord at thy right hand shall destroy even kings in the day of his wrath.

He shall judge among the nations ; he shall fill the places with the dead bodies, and shall wound the heads over many countries.

He shall drink of the brook in the way, and lift up his head on high.

PSALM 132.

LORD, remember David, and all his troubles ;

How he sware unto the Lord, and vowed a vow unto the Almighty God of Jacob ;

I will not come within the tabernacle of mine house, nor climb up into my bed ;

I will not suffer mine eyes to sleep, nor mine eyelids to slumber ;

Until I find out a place for the temple of the Lord, an habitation for the mighty God of Jacob.

We will go into his tabernacle, we will worship before his footstool.

Arise, O Lord, into thy resting place, thou, and the ark of thy strength.

Let thy priests be clothed with righteousness ; and let thy saints sing with joyfulness.

For thy servant David's

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sake, turn not away the face of thine anointed.

The Lord hath made a faithful oath unto David, and he shall not shrink from it ;

Of the fruit of thy body shall I set upon thy throne.

If thy children will keep my covenant, and my testimonies that I shall teach them, their children also shall sit upon thy throne for evermore.

For the Lord hath chos-

en Sion ; he hath desired it for his habitation.

This shall be my rest for ever ; here will I dwell, for I have a delight therein.

I will bless her provision with increase ; and will satisfy her poor with bread.

I will clothe her priests with salvation ; and her saints shall rejoice and sing.

Now unto the king eternal, &c.

Be honour and glory, &c.

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ANTHEM.

THE people stood up, and the rulers took counsel together against the Lord, and against his anointed.

They cast their heads together with one consent, and were confederate against him.

They spake against him with false tongues, and encompassed him about with words of hatred, and fought against him without a cause.

False witnesses also did rise up against him ; they laid to his charge things *that he knew not.*

For the sins of the people, and the iniquity of the priests, they shed the blood of the just, in the midst of Jerusalem.

• He was oppressed, and he was afflicted, yet he opened not his mouth ; he was led as a lamb to the slaughter, and as a sheep before her shearers is dumb, so he opened not his mouth.

But thou, Lord, hast highly exalted him, and given him a name that is above every name.

That in the name of Jesus every knee should bow, and every tongue confess that Christ Jesus

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is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

PROPER PSALMS.

MORNING PRAYER.

PSALM 22.

MY God, my God, look upon me; why hast thou forsaken me, and art so far from my health, and from the words of my complaint?

O my God, I cry in the day time, but thou hearest not; and in the night season also I take no rest.

But thou continuest holy, O thou worship of Israel.

Our fathers trusted in thee; they trusted in thee, and thou didst deliver them.

They called upon thee, and were delivered; they put their trust in thee, and were not confounded.

But as for me, I am a worm and no man; a very scorn of men, and the outcast of the people.

All they who see me, laugh me to scorn; they shoot out their lips, and shake their heads, saying,

He trusted in God, that

he would deliver him; let him deliver him, if he will have him.

But thou art he who brought me into being; thou wast my hope when I hanged yet upon my mother's breasts.

I have been left unto thee ever since I was born; thou art my God even from my birth.

O go not from me, for trouble is hard at hand, and there is none to help me.

My strength is dried up like a potsherd, and my tongue cleaveth to my jaws; and thou hast brought me into the dust of death.

For the hunters are come about me; and the counsel of the wicked layeth siege against me.

They pierced my hands and my feet; I may tell all my bones; they look and stare upon me.

They part my garments among them, and cast lots upon my vesture.

But be not thou far from me, O Lord; thou art my succour; haste thee to help me.

Deliver my life from the sword; my soul from the power of the hunter.

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I will declare thy name unto my brethren ; in the midst of the congregation will I praise thee.

O praise the Lord, ye who fear him ; magnify him, all ye of the seed of Jacob, and fear him, all ye seed of Israel.

For he hath not despised nor abhorred the low estate of the poor ; he hath not hid his face from him, but when he cried unto him, he heard him.

My praise shall be of thee in the great congregation ; my vows will I perform in the sight of those who fear him.

The poor shall eat, and be satisfied ; they who seek after the Lord, shall praise him ; your heart shall live for ever.

All the ends of the world shall remember themselves, and be turned unto the Lord ; and all the kindreds of the nations shall worship before thee.

For the kingdom is the Lord's ; and he is the governor among the people.

All the wealthy on earth, have eaten and worshipped.

All those who are miserable, shall kneel before

him ; and he who cannot keep alive his own soul.

A seed shall serve him ; they shall be counted unto the Lord for a generation.

They shall come, and shall declare his righteousness unto a people who shall be born ; for he hath done this.

PSALM 54.

SAVE me, O God, for thy name's sake, and defend me in thy strength.

Hear my prayer, O God, and hearken unto the words of my mouth.

For the proud are risen up against me ; and tyrants, who have not God before their eyes, seek after my soul.

But God is my helper ; the Lord is with those who uphold my soul.

The offerings of a free heart will I give thee ; and will praise thy name, O Lord, for it is good.

Now unto the King eternal, &c.

Be honour and glory, &c.

EVENING PRAYER.

PSALM 64.

HEAR my voice, O God,

my prayer ; preserve my
from fear of the enemy.
hide me from the gath-
ing together of the fro-
d, and from the insur-
on of wicked doers ;
Who have whet their
ue like a sword, and
e fitted their arrows,
bitter words ;

that they may privily
t at him who is per-
; suddenly do they hit
and fear not.

they encourage them-
es in mischief, and come
e among themselves,
they may lay snares ;
say, Who shall see
?

ut God shall strike
a with a swift arrow,
they shall be suddenly
nded.

ea, their own tongues
make them fall ; and
so seeth them shall fly
n them.

nd all men who see it,
say, This hath God
e ; for they shall per-
e that it is his word.

he righteous shall re-
e in the Lord, and put
trust in him ; and all
who are true of heart
be glad.

PSALM 69.

VE me, O God, for the

waters are come in, even
unto my soul.

I sink in the deep mire,
where no ground is ; I am
come into deep waters,
where the floods rush over
me.

I am weary of crying ;
my throat is dried ; my
sight faileth me, for wait-
ing so long upon my God.

They who hate me
without a cause, are more
than the hairs of my head ;
they who are mine enemies,
and would destroy me
guiltless, are mighty.

Let not those who trust
in thee, O Lord God of
hosts, be ashamed for my
cause ; let not those who
seek thee be confounded
through me, O God of Is-
rael.

Because for thy sake
have I suffered reproach ;
shame hath covered my
face.

I am become a stranger
unto my brethren, even an
alien unto my mother's
children.

For the zeal of thine
house hath eaten me up ;
and the rebukes of those
who rebuked thee, are fall-
en upon me.

I wept and chastened
myself with fasting and that
was turned to my reproof.

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I put on sackcloth also ;
and they jested upon
me.

But, Lord, I make my
prayer unto thee in an ac-
ceptable time.

Hear me, O God, in the
multitude of thy mercy,
even in the truth of thy
salvation.

Take me out of the
mire, that I sink not ; O
let me be delivered from
those who hate me, and
out of the deep waters.

Let not the water flood
drown me, neither let the
deep swallow me up, and
let not the pit shut her
mouth upon me.

Hear me, O Lord, for
thy loving kindness is
good ; turn thee unto me,
according to the multitude
of thy mercies.

And hide not thy face
from thy servant, for I am
in trouble ; O haste thee,
and hear me.

Draw nigh unto my soul,
and save it ; O deliver me,
because of mine enemies.

Thou hast known my
reproach, my shame, and
my dishonour ; mine ad-
versaries are all in thy
sight.

Reproach hath broken
my heart ; I am full of

heaviness ; I looked for
some to have pity on me,
but there was no man,
neither found I any to
comfort me.

They gave me gall to
eat ; and when I was thirsty,
they gave me vinegar to
drink.

As for me, when I am
poor and in heaviness, thy
help, O God, shall lift me
up.

I will praise the name
of God with a song, and
magnify it with thanks-
giving.

The humble shall con-
sider this, and be glad ;
seek ye after God, and
your soul shall live.

For the Lord heareth
the poor, and despiseth
not his prisoners.

Let heaven and earth
praise him, the sea and all
that moveth therein.

For God will save Sion,
and build the cities of Ju-
dah, that men may dwell
there, and have it in pos-
session.

The posterity also of
his servants shall inherit
it ; and they who love his
name shall dwell therein.

Now unto the King eter-
nal, &c.

Be honour and glory, &c.

EASTER DAY

ANTHEM.

CHRIST our passover is sacrificed for us ; therefore let us keep the feast ; not with the old leaven, neither with the leaven of malice and wickedness ; but with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth.

Christ being raised from the dead, dieth no more ; death hath no more dominion over him.

For in that he died, he died unto sin once ; but in that he liveth, he liveth unto God. Likewise reckon ye also yourselves to be dead indeed unto sin, but alive unto God, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Christ is risen from the dead, and become the first fruits of those who slept.

For since by man came death, by man came also the resurrection of the dead. For as in Adam all die, even so in Christ shall all be made alive.

Blessing, and honour, and glory, and power, be unto him, who sitteth upon the throne, and unto the Lamb, for ever and ever.
Amen.

PROPER PSALMS.

MORNING PRAYER.

PSALM 2.

WHY do the heathen rage ? and why do the people imagine a vain thing ?

The kings of the earth stand up, and the rulers take counsel together against the Lord, and against his anointed ;

Let us break, say they, their bonds asunder, and cast away their chords from us.

He who dwelleth in heaven shall laugh them to scorn ; the Lord shall have them in derision.

Then shall he speak unto them in his wrath, and vex them in his sore displeasure.

Yet have I set my king upon my holy hill of Zion.

I will declare the decree ; the Lord hath said unto me, Thou art my Son, this day have I begotten thee.

Ask of me, and I will give thee the heathen for thine inheritance, and the utmost parts of the earth for thy possession ;

Thou shalt break them

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with a rod of iron, and dash them in pieces like a potter's vessel.

Be wise now therefore, O ye kings; be learned, ye who are judges of the earth.

Serve the Lord in fear; and rejoice before him with reverence.

Subinit to the Son, lest he be angry, and so ye perish from the right way, if his wrath be kindled, yea, but a little. Blessed are all they who put their trust in him.

PSALM 57.

BE merciful unto me, O God, be merciful unto me, for my soul trusteth in thee; and under the shadow of thy wings shall be my refuge, until this calamity be overpast.

I will call unto the most high God, even unto the God who will perform all things for me.

He shall send from heaven, and save me from the reproach of him who would swallow me up.

Be thou exalted, O God, above the heavens, and let thy glory be above all the earth.

My heart is fixed, O God,

my heart is fixed; I will sing, and give praise.

Awake up, my glory; awake, lute and harp; I myself will awake right early.

I will give thanks unto thee, O Lord, among the people, and I will sing unto thee among the nations.

For the greatness of thy mercy reacheth unto the heavens, and thy truth unto the clouds.

Be thou exalted, O God, above the heavens, and let thy glory be above all the earth.

Now unto the King eternal, &c.

Be honour and glory, &c.

EVENING PRAYER.

PSALM 113.

PRAISE the Lord, ye servants of his; O praise the name of the Lord.

Blessed be the name of the Lord, from this time forth for evermore.

Let the Lord's name be praised, from the rising up of the sun unto the going down of the same.

The Lord is high above all nations, and his glory above the heavens.

Who is like unto the Lord our God, who hath his dwelling so high, and yet humbleth himself to behold the things that are in heaven and earth?

He taketh up the simple out of the dust, and lifteth the poor out of the mire;

That he may set him with the princes, even with the princes of his people.

PSALM 118.

O GIVE thanks unto the Lord, for he is gracious, and his mercy endureth for ever.

Let Israel now confess that his mercy endureth for ever.

Let the house of Aaron now confess that his mercy endureth for ever.

Yea, let those now who fear the Lord confess that his mercy endureth for ever.

I called upon the Lord in trouble; and the Lord heard and delivered me.

The Lord is on my side; I will not fear what man doeth unto me.

It is better to trust in the Lord, than to put confidence in man.

It is better to trust in the

Lord, than to put confidence in princes.

The Lord is my strength and my song, and is become my salvation.

The voice of joy and salvation is in the dwellings of the righteous; the right hand of the Lord bringeth mighty things to pass.

The right hand of the Lord is exalted; the right hand of the Lord bringeth mighty things to pass.

I shall not die, but live, and declare the works of the Lord.

The Lord hath chastened and corrected me; but he hath not given me over unto death.

Open me the gates of holiness, that I may go into them, and give thanks unto the Lord.

This is the gate of the Lord, into which the righteous shall enter.

I will thank thee, for thou hast heard me, and art become my salvation.

The same stone which the builders refused, is become the head stone in the corner.

This is the Lord's doing; and it is marvellous in our eyes.

This is the day which

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the Lord hath made ; we will rejoice and be glad in it.

Save, now, O Lord ; O Lord, send us now prosperity.

Blessed be he who cometh in the name of the Lord ; we bless you, ye who are of the house of the Lord.

Thou art my God, and I will thank thee ; thou art my God, and I will praise thee.

O give thanks unto the Lord, for he is gracious, and his mercy endureth for ever.

Now unto the King eternal, &c.

Be honour and glory, &c.

FOR WHITSUNDAY.

ANTHEM.

O GIVE thanks unto the Lord, and call upon his name ; tell the people what things he hath done.

O let your songs be of him, and praise him ; and let your talking be of all his wondrous works.

Seek the Lord and his strength, seek his face for evermore.

The Lord gave the word, and great was the company of those who published it.

His salvation is nigh unto those who fear him, that glory may dwell in the land.

Mercy and truth are met together, righteousness and peace have kissed each other.

Truth shall flourish on the earth, and righteousness hath looked down from heaven.

The Lord will give strength unto his people ; the Lord will give unto his people the blessing of peace.

Blessed are the people whose strength is from thee, and in whose heart are thy ways.

Teach us to do thy will, for thou art our God ; O let thy good spirit lead us into the paths of righteousness.

PROPER PSALMS.

MORNING PRAYER.

PSALM 68.

LET God arise, and let

his enemies be scattered ;
let those also who hate him
flee before him.

Like as the smoke vanisheth, so shalt thou drive them away ; and like as wax melteth at the fire, so shall the ungodly perish at the presence of God.

But let the righteous be glad, and rejoice before God ; yea, let them exceedingly rejoice.

O sing unto God, and sing praises unto his name ; magnify him who rideth upon the heavens ; praise him in his name JEHOVAH, and rejoice before him.

He is a Father of the fatherless, and defendeth the cause of the widows ; even God in his holy habitation.

God restoreth the solitary to their families, and bringeth the prisoners out of captivity ; but letteth the rebellious continue in a dry land.

O God, when thou wentest forth before the people, when thou didst march through the wilderness ;

The earth shook, and the heavens dropped at the presence of God ; even Sinai itself was moved at the presence of God, the God of Israel.

Thou, O God, sentest a gracious rain upon thine inheritance, and refreshedst it when it was weary.

They dwelt in the midst of thy food ; for thou, O God, didst of thy goodness prepare for the poor.

The Lord gave the word ; great was the company of those who published it.

Kings with their armies did flee and were discomfited, and she who staid at home divided the spoil.

The chariots of God are twenty thousand, even thousands of angels, and the Lord is among them, as in the holy place of Sinai.

Thou art gone up on high, thou hast led captivity captive, and received gifts among men ; yea, even from thine enemies, that the Lord God might dwell among them.

Praised be the Lord daily ; even the God who helpeth us, and poureth his benefits upon us.

He is our God, even the God of whom cometh salvation ; God is the Lord, by whom we escape death.

The Lord hath said, I will bring my people again as I did from Bashan ; mine own will I bring

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again, as I did once from the deep of the sea.

Sing unto God, O ye kingdoms of the earth; O sing praises unto the Lord;

Who sitteth in the heavens over all, from the beginning; lo, he doth send out his voice, yea, and that a mighty voice.

Ascribe ye the power to God; his excellency is over Israel; his strength is in the clouds.

O God, wonderful art thou in thy holy places; the God of Israel will give strength and power unto his people; blessed be God.

PSALM 78.

HEAR my law, O my people; incline your ears unto the words of my mouth.

I will open my mouth in a parable; I will declare hard sentences of old;

Which we have heard and known, and such as our fathers have told us;

That we should not hide them from the children of the generations to come, but to show the honour of the Lord, his mighty and wonderful works that he hath done.

He made a covenant with Jacob, and gave Israel a law, which he commanded our forefathers to teach their children;

That their posterity might know it, and the children who were yet unborn;

To the intent that when they came up, they might show their children the same;

That they might put their trust in God, and not to forget the works of God, but to keep his commandments.

Now unto the King eternal, &c.

Be honour and glory, &c.

EVENING PRAYER.

PSALM 44.

WE have heard with our ears, O God, our fathers have told us, what thou hast done in their time of old;

How thou hast driven out the heathen with thy hand, and planted them in; how thou hast destroyed the nations, and cast them out.

For they gat not the land in possession through

their own sword, neither was it their own arm that helped them ;

But thy right hand, and thine arm, and the light of thy countenance, because thou hadst a favour unto them.

Thou art my King, O God ; send help unto Jacob.

For I will not trust in my bow ; it is not my sword that shall help me.

But it is thou who savest us from our enemies, and puttest them to confusion who hate us.

We make our boast of God all day long, and will praise thy name for ever.

PSALM 105.

O GIVE thanks unto the Lord, and call upon his name ; tell the people what things he hath done.

O let your songs be of him, and praise him ; and let your talking be of all his wondrous works.

Rejoice in his holy name ; let the heart of those rejoice who seek the Lord.

Seek the Lord and his strength ; seek his face evermore.

Remember the marvel-
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lous works that he hath done, his wonders, and the judgment of his mouth ;

O ye seed of Abraham his servant, ye children of Jacob his chosen.

He is the Lord our God ; his judgments are in all the world.

He hath been alway mindful of his covenant and promise, that he made to a thousand generations ;

Even the covenant that he made with Abraham, and the oath that he sware unto Isaac ;

And appointed the same unto Jacob for a law, and to Israel for an everlasting testament ;

Saying, Unto thee will I give the land of Canaan, the lot of your inheritance.

When there were yet but a few of them, and they strangers in the land ;

What time as they went from one nation to another, from one kingdom to another people ;

He suffered no man to do them wrong, but reprov'd even kings for their sakes ;

Touch not mine anointed, and do my prophets no harm.

And he brought forth

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his people with joy, and That they might keep
his chosen with gladness ; his statutes, and observe
And gave them the lands his laws.

of the heathen ; and they Now unto the King eter-
took the labours of the nal, &c.
people in possession ; Be honour and glory, &c.

END OF ANTHEMS AND PSALMS.

A SERVICE

FOR DAYS OF THANKSGIVING.

The Minister may use the common Service for Morning or Evening Prayer, till he comes to the Psalms for the Day of the Month ; instead of which, the following Psalms are to be said.

PSALM 47.

O CLAP your hands together all ye people ; O sing unto God with the voice of melody.

For the Lord is high, and to be feared ; he is the great King over all the earth.

He shall subdue the people under us, and the nations under our feet.

He shall choose out an heritage for us, even the excellency of Jacob whom he loved.

God is gone up with a shout, and the Lord with the sound of the trumpet.

O sing praises, sing praises unto our God ; O

sing praises, sing praises unto our king.

For God is the King of all the earth ; sing ye praises with understanding.

God reigneth over the heathen ; God sitteth upon his holy throne.

The princes of the people are joined unto the people of the God of Abraham ; for God, who is very high exalted, doth defend the earth as it were with a shield.

PSALM 147.

PRAISE ye the Lord ; for it is a good thing to sing praises unto our God ;

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yea, a joyful and pleasant thing it is to be thankful.

The Lord doth build up Jerusalem, and gather together the outcasts of Israel.

He healeth those who are broken in heart, and bindeth up their wounds.

He telleth the number of the stars ; and calleth them all by their names.

Great is our Lord, and great is his power ; yea, and his wisdom is infinite.

The Lord lifteth up the meek ; and bringeth the ungodly down to the ground.

O sing unto the Lord with thanksgiving ; sing praises upon the harp unto our God ;

Who covereth the heaven with clouds, and prepareth rain for the earth, and maketh the grass to grow upon the mountains ;

Who giveth fodder unto the cattle, and feedeth the young ravens who cry.

He hath no pleasure in the strength of the horse ; neither delighteth he in the force of man.

But the Lord's delight is in those who fear him, and put their trust in his mercy.

Praise the Lord, O Je-

rusalem ; praise thy God, O Sion.

For he hath made fast the bars of thy gates ; and hath blessed thy children within thee.

He maketh peace in thy borders ; and filleth thee with the finest of the wheat.

He sendeth forth his commandment upon earth ; and his word is instantly obeyed.

He giveth snow like wool ; he scattereth the hoarfrost like ashes.

He casteth forth his ice like morsels ; who can stand before his cold ?

He sendeth out his word and melteth them ; he bloweth with his wind, and the waters flow.

He showeth his word unto Jacob, his statutes and ordinances unto Israel.

He hath not dealt so with any nation ; neither have the heathen knowledge of his laws. Praise ye the Lord.

PSALM 150.

PRAISE ye the Lord. Praise God for his holiness. Praise him in the firmament of his power.

Praise him for his noble acts ; praise him according

to his excellent greatness.

Praise him with the sound of the trumpet; praise him upon the lute and harp.

Praise him upon the well tuned cymbals; praise him upon the loud cymbals.

Let every thing that hath breath praise the Lord.

Now unto the King eternal, immortal, invisible, the only wise God;

Be honour and glory, through Jesus Christ for ever and ever. *Amen.*

Then may follow an Anthem or a Voluntary on the Organ; and then the Minister shall read the FIRST LESSON, which may be either of the following portions from the Old Testament: Deut. viii. or xxvi. or xxviii. to v. 15. Isaiah xii. or xxv. to v. 10. And at the end of the Lesson he shall say, Here endeth the First Lesson. Then shall be sung or said the following Anthem.

PSALM 100.

O BE joyful in the Lord, all ye lands; serve the Lord with gladness, and come before his presence with a song.

Be ye sure that the Lord he is God; it is he who hath made us, and not we ourselves; we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.

O go your way into his gates with thanksgiving, and into his courts with praise; be thankful unto him, and speak good of his name.

For the Lord is gracious, his mercy is everlasting, and his truth endureth from generation to generation.

Then shall the Minister read the SECOND LESSON, which may be either of the following portions from the New Testament: Luke xii. 13 to 32. Philipp. iv. 4 to 14. And at the end of the Lesson he shall say, Here endeth the Second Lesson. Then shall be sung or said the following Psalm.

PSALM 136.

O GIVE thanks unto the Lord; for he is gracious, and his mercy endureth for ever.

O give thanks unto the God of all gods; for his mercy endureth for ever.

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O thank the Lord of all lords ; for his mercy endureth for ever.

Who by his excellent wisdom made the heavens ; for his mercy endureth for ever.

Who laid out the earth above the waters ; for his mercy endureth for ever.

Who hath made great lights ; for his mercy endureth for ever.

The sun to rule by day ; for his mercy endureth for ever.

The moon and the stars to govern the night ; for his mercy endureth for ever.

Who remembereth us when we are in trouble ; for his mercy endureth for ever.

And hath delivered us from our enemies ; for his mercy endureth for ever.

Who giveth food to all flesh ; for his mercy endureth for ever.

O give thanks unto the God of heaven ; for his mercy endureth for ever.

Min. The Lord be with you.

Answ. And with thy spirit.

Min. Glory be to God in the highest ;

Answ. And on earth peace, good will toward men.

Min. Let us pray.

O Lord, show thy mercy upon us ;

Answ. And grant us thy salvation.

Min. O God, make clean our hearts within us ;

Answ. And take not thy holy Spirit from us.

A THANKSGIVING.

O THOU who art good unto all, who exercisest loving kindness in all the earth, and who hast come nigh to us by Jesus Christ thy Son ; it is thou, who givest our daily bread, health in our habitations, and peace in our borders, and who crownest the year with thy goodness. We desire this day gratefully to recount thy mercies, and to ascribe blessing and honour, and glory and praise to thee our rock and fortress, our strength and redeemer.

How precious have been thy thoughts unto us, O God, how great has been the sum of them ! We bless thee for preserving our houses from the ravages of fire, for all the health

and pleasure which we have enjoyed in them, for the bread which has given strength to our bodies, for the medicine which has arrested the progress of disease, for the tear of sympathy which has comforted us under trouble, for divine preservation in our journeys by land, for favourable winds on the ocean, for refreshing showers upon the fields. We thank thee for every cheerful sensation when alone, for the pleasures of friendly intercourse, for the benefits of good neighbourhood, for the privileges of public worship, for the maintenance of civil order, the continuance of peace, the administration of justice, for every encouragement to well doing, every manifestation of useful truth, and for all the advantages of our condition.

Graciously direct us, O' God, to a right improvement of all thy mercies. Preserve us from the wicked indulgence of all fleshly lusts, and from wasting our substance in riotous living. May we enjoy our temporal possessions with temperance, cheerfulness, and

contentment. Protect us from the snares of prosperity. May we honour thee with our substance, be rich in good works, and duly esteem and praise thee the rock of our salvation.

Continue to us the enjoyment of our civil rights; disappoint the devices of the crafty; prolong the days and usefulness of those public men under whose administration the righteous flourish, and who make our land a quiet habitation; grant peace, order, and plenty in our families, our villages and towns, and throughout our country; bless all fountains of useful science; heal and cleanse their waters; dispel the mists of ignorance; arrest the progress of profaneness and vice; make the people of our land humble before thee, peaceable in their civil and social relations, and zealous for the establishment of liberty, order, and truth. May we never by our ingratitude incur that censure, I have nourished and brought up children, but they have rebelled against me. Grant this, O Father,

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for thine infinite mercy's world to come life everlasting. *Amen.*
Lord. *Amen.*

CONCLUDING PRAYER.

ALMIGHTY God, who hast given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplications unto thee, and hast promised by thy beloved Son, that where two or three are gathered together in his name, thou wilt grant their requests; fulfil now, O Lord, the desires and petitions of thy servants, as may be most expedient for them, granting us in this world knowledge of thy truth, and in the

THE Lord bless us, and keep us; may he be gracious unto us, and give us peace, now and for evermore. *Amen.*

Or this.

NOW unto him who is able to keep us from falling, and to present us faultless before the presence of his glory with exceeding joy, to the only wise God our Saviour, be glory and majesty, dominion and power, through Jesus Christ, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

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A SERVICE

FOR DAYS OF FASTING AND HUMILIATION.

The Minister may use the common Service for Morning or Evening Prayer, till he comes to the Psalm beginning O come let us sing, &c., instead of which, shall be said or sung, the following Anthem, from the fifty-fifth Psalm.

PSALM 55.

HEAR my prayer, O God, and hide not thyself from my petition.

Take heed unto me, and hear me; how I mourn in my prayer, and am troubled.

My heart is disquieted within me, and the fear of death is fallen upon me.

Fearfulness and trembling are come upon me and an horrible dread hath overwhelmed me.

And I said, O that I had wings like a dove; for then would I flee away, and be at rest.

Lo, then would I get me away far off, and

remain in the wilderness.

I would make haste to escape, from the stormy wind and tempest.

But yet I will call upon God, and the Lord shall save me.

In the evening, and morning, and at noonday will I pray, and that instantly; and he shall hear my voice.

O cast thy burden upon the Lord, and he shall nourish thee, and shall not suffer the righteous to fall for ever.

And then, instead of the Psalms for the Day of the Month, shall be said the following Psalms.

PSALM 6.

O LORD, rebuke me
not in thine indignation ;
neither chasten me in thy
heavy displeasure.

Have mercy upon me,
O Lord, for I am weak ;
O Lord, heal me, for my
bones tremble.

My soul also is sore
troubled ; but Lord, how
long wilt thou punish me ?

Turn thee, O Lord, and
deliver my soul ; O save
me for thy mercies' sake.

Depart from me, all ye
who work vanity ; for the
Lord hath heard the voice
of my weeping.

The Lord hath heard
my petition ; the Lord
will receive my prayer.

PSALM 42.

AS the hart panteth af-
ter the water brooks, so
longeth my soul after thee,
O God.

My soul is athirst for
God, yea, even for the
living God ; when shall I
come to appear before the
presence of God ?

Why art thou so full of
heaviness, O my soul ; and
why art thou so disquieted
within me ;

Put thy trust in God ;
for I will yet give him

thanks for the help of his
countenance.

The Lord hath granted
his loving kindness in the
day time ; and in the night
season did I sing unto him,
and made my prayer unto
the God of my life.

I will say unto the God
of my strength, Why hast
thou forgotten me ? why
go I thus heavily, while
the enemy oppresses me ?

As with a sword in my
bones, mine enemies re-
proach me ; while they
say daily unto me, Where
is now thy God ?

Why art thou so cast
down, O my soul ; and
why art thou so disquieted
within me ?

O put thy trust in God ;
for I will yet thank him,
who is the help of my
countenance, and my God.

PSALM 80.

HEAR, O thou Shep-
herd of Israel, thou that
ledest Joseph like a flock ;
shine forth, thou that sit-
test upon the Cherubim.

Turn us again, O God,
show the light of thy coun-
tenance, and we shall be
whole.

O Lord God of hosts,
how long wilt thou be an-

gry with thy people who prayeth?

Thou feedest them with the bread of tears, and givest them plenteousness of tears to drink.

Turn us again, thou God of hosts, show the light of thy countenance, and we shall be whole.

Thou hast brought a vine out of Egypt; thou hast cast out the heathen, and planted it.

Thou madest room for it; and when it had taken root, it filled the land.

The hills were covered with the shadow of it, and the boughs thereof were like the goodly cedar trees.

She stretched out her branches unto the sea, and her boughs unto the river.

Why hast thou then broken down her hedge, that all those who go by pluck off her grapes?

The wild boar out of the wood doth root it up, and the wild beast of the field devour it.

Turn thee again, thou God of hosts, look down from heaven; behold, and visit this vine;

And the place of the vineyard that thy right

hand hath planted, and the branch that thou madest so strong for thyself.

It is burnt with fire and cut down; they perish at the rebuke of thy countenance.

Let thy hand be upon the man of thy right hand, and upon the son of man, whom thou madest so strong for thyself.

And so will not we go back from thee; O let us live, and we shall call upon thy name.

Turn us again, O Lord God of hosts, show the light of thy countenance and we shall be whole.

Now unto the King eternal, &c.

Be honour and glory, &c.

Then may follow an anthem or a Voluntary on the Organ; and then the Minister shall read the FIRST LESSON, which may be either of the following portions from the Old Testament. Isaiah lviii. Hosea. xiv. Joel ii.

And at the end of the Lesson he shall say, Here endeth the First Lesson. Then shall be said, or sung, the following portion of the 103d Psalm.

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PSALM 103.

THE Lord is full of compassion and mercy, long suffering, and of great goodness.

He will not always be chiding; neither keepeth he his anger for ever.

He hath not dealt with us after our sins; nor rewarded us according to our wickednesses.

For as the heaven is high above the earth, so great is his mercy toward those who fear him.

As far as the east is from the west, so far hath he removed our transgressions from us.

Yea, like as a father pitieth his own children; even so the Lord pitieth those who fear him.

For he knoweth our frame; he remembereth that we are but dust.

The days of man are but as grass; he flourisheth as a flower of the field.

For the wind passeth over it, and it is gone; and the place thereof shall know it no more.

But the merciful goodness of the Lord endureth for ever and ever upon those who fear him, and his righteousness upon children's children;

Even upon such as keep his covenants, and think upon his commandments to do them.

Then shall the Minister read the SECOND LESSON, which may be either of the following portions from the New Testament: Matt. vi., to 19. Mark ii. 15 to 21.

And at the end of the Lesson he shall say, Here endeth the Second Lesson.

Then shall be said or sung the following Psalm.

PSALM 67.

GOD be merciful unto us, and bless us; and show us the light of his countenance, and be merciful unto us.

That thy way may be known upon earth, thy saving health among all nations.

Let the people praise thee, O God; yea, let all the people praise thee.

O let the nations rejoice and be glad; for thou shalt judge the folk righteously, and govern the nations upon earth.

Let the people praise thee, O God; yea, let all the people praise thee.

Then shall the earth bring forth her increase; and God, even our own God, shall give us his blessing.

God shall bless us, and all the ends of the world shall fear him.

Min. The Lord be with you.

Ans. And with thy spirit.

Min. Let us pray.

O Lord, show thy mercy upon us;

Ans. And grant us thy salvation.

Min. O God, make clean our hearts within us;

Ans. And take not thy holy Spirit from us.

Min. O God, merciful Father, who despisest not the sighing of a contrite heart, nor the desire of such as be sorrowful; mercifully assist our prayers which we make before thee in all our troubles and adversities, whensoever they oppress us; and graciously hear us, that all evils which are devised against us, may, by the providence of thy goodness, be brought to nought; that we, thy servants, being hurt by no persecu-

tions, may evermore give thanks unto thee in thy holy church, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

O Lord, arise, help us, and deliver us for thy name's sake.

O God, we have heard with our ears, and our fathers have declared unto us the noble works that thou didst in their days, and in the old time before them.

O Lord, arise, help us, and deliver us for thine honour.

From our enemies defend us, O God.

Graciously look upon our afflictions.

Pitifully behold the sorrows of our hearts.

Mercifully forgive the sins of thy people.

Favourably with mercy hear our prayers.

O gracious Father, have mercy upon us.

Both now and ever vouchsafe to hear us, O Lord.

Graciously hear us, O Lord; graciously hear us, O Lord God.

O Lord, let thy mercy be shown upon us;

As we do put our trust in thee.

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COLLECT FOR FAST DAY.

ALMIGHTY and most merciful God, who lovest righteousness and hatest iniquity, and art a compassionate Father to those who repent and turn unto thee; we would come before thee this day, humbly confessing our sins, and beseeching thee to impress upon our minds every motive to sincere repentance and a holy life.

O thou Supreme Director of the affairs of human society; we thank thee for the advantages of our condition; that we enjoy liberty, safety and plenty; that the lines are fallen to us in pleasant places, and that we have a goodly heritage. Yet we have made unworthy returns for thy loving kindness; we have shown ourselves undeserving of thy mercy. We lament that plenty has been abused by luxury, and liberty by licentiousness; our peace and safety, by strife, envyings, and divisions; that so little of the power of godliness is manifested; that so many restrain prayer before thee, and notwithstanding the expressions of thy will, do

yet despise or neglect thy laws. Surely it is of thy mercy that we are not consumed, and because thy compassions fail not.

We beseech thee to grant thy mercy unto us who have corrupted our manners, who have been indifferent to thy worship; indulged too much a spirit of pride and uncharitableness, and have become too strongly attached to the world and the things of the world. Awaken us to a sense of our unworthiness; pardon the sins of our nation; forgive all those who humble themselves this day before thee, and spare thy people; animate us to unite with one heart in promoting the honour of thy name, the interests of religion, and the prosperity and happiness of our country. May we keep the fast which thou hast chosen; and losing every band of wickedness, become a peculiar people zealous of good works, that thy displeasure may be turned away from us, and that thou mayest delight to build us up and not destroy us.

O thou, who art the Lord of lords, and the Fountain of all power, we

commend to thy care and blessing the President of the United States, the Governor of this State, and all others in authority. May they have wisdom to discern, and firmness to pursue the true interests of this people; may they employ all their influence to promote peace and virtue; and under their government may justice and judgment run down as waters, and righteousness as a mighty stream. Endue with grace and clothe with godliness the ministers of religion. May they do honour to thy truth in their public services and their private conduct; and wilt thou so direct and bless them, both in their preaching and living, that they may save themselves, and those who hear them. We beseech thee to bless all seminaries of learning, all governors and instructors of youth, all patrons and promoters of sound literature and knowledge; and grant that all the means and opportunities of mental, moral, and religious advancement which are enjoyed among us, may be thankfully acknow-

ledged and diligently improved.

Universal Parent and Governor; be merciful to the whole race of man; enlighten all who sit in darkness; send forth a spirit of peace and good will; restrain the violence of unreasonable men; may no weapon formed against the rights of mankind prosper; multiply the patterns of christian virtue and the instruments of beneficence; direct all flesh to the knowledge of thy Son; and may thy kingdom come and thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven; which we ask as disciples of Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

CONCLUDING PRAYER.

ETERNAL and all seeing God, we thy creatures sink into nothing before thy supreme majesty; we feel our weakness; we acknowledge our folly; we repeatedly bewail our sins; thee only we adore with awful veneration; thee we thank with fervent zeal; to thy power we humbly submit; of thy goodness we devoutly implore protection; on thy wisdom we

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firmly and cheerfully rely. Whenever we address thee, O Father, if our prayers are unwise, pity us ; if they are presumptuous, pardon us ; if acceptable to thee, grant them, all powerful God ; and as we now express our submission to thy decrees, adore thy providence, and bless thy dispensations, so, in that future state, to which we reverently hope thy goodness will raise us, may we continue praising, venerating, worshipping thee, more and more, through worlds without number, and ages without end. *Amen.*

THE Lord bless us and keep us ; the Lord make his face shine upon us, and be gracious unto us ; the Lord lift up his countenance upon us, and give us peace, now and evermore. *Amen.*

END OF SERVICE FOR FAST DAYS.

FORMS OF PRAYER

TO BE USED AT SEA.

The Service may commence with the following Psalm; after which the Person officiating may use such parts of the common Morning or Evening Prayer, as he shall judge proper.

PSALM 93.

THE Lord is King, and hath put on glorious apparel, and girded himself with strength.

He hath made the world so sure, that it cannot be moved.

Ever since the world began, hath thy throne been prepared; thou art from everlasting.

The floods have lifted up, O Lord, the floods have lifted up their voice; the floods lift up their waves.

The waves of the sea are mighty, and rage horribly; but yet the Lord, who dwelleth on high, is mightier.

Thy testimonies, O Lord, are very sure, holiness becometh thine house for ever.

After the Collect for the Day may be used the following Prayer.

O ETERNAL Lord God, who alone spreadest out the heavens, and rulest the raging of the sea; who hast compassed the waters with bounds, until day and night come to an end; be pleased to receive into thine almighty and most gracious protection, the persons of us thy servants, who now call upon thy name from the bosom of the mighty

deep. Borne on the surface of a changing element, and exposed to the vicissitudes of the inconstant skies, may we always feel ourselves in the presence and merciful care of that infinite and holy God, who hath measured the waters in the hollow of his hand, and meted out heaven with a span. Preserve us, we pray thee, from the dangers of the sea; from shipwreck; from fire; from the wrath of the tempest; from the violence of enemies; and grant that we may arrive at our desired haven, in safety, health, and peace, and with a thankful remembrance of thy rich and manifold mercies. But we do more especially pray, O Lord our God, that if thou shouldst see fit to bring us into peril and misfortune, we may bear thy whole will with perfect submission, and surrender ourselves in every event to thine absolute and all wise disposal. Whether we are in danger or at rest, in sickness or health, in life or death, let us be thine, O Lord, and wholly thine.

Hear us in behalf of our country, and grant that it

may constantly prosper under thy care, and be defended with thy favourable kindness as with a shield. Bless our absent friends, wherever they may be; preserve them from evil; and in thy great mercy permit us to see them again, and rejoice in their society and welfare.

We thank thee, that thou hast thus far preserved us; we thank thee for this opportunity of calling on thy name; we commend ourselves and our interests to thy holy keeping; and ascribe unto thee all honour and glory, dominion and praise, through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

Or this.

O LORD, our God, who madest heaven, and earth, and sea, and all that therein is, and who keepest thy promise forever; mercifully hear the prayers of thy servants; deliver us from the dangers of the seas; protect and prosper us in the way we go, and bring us to our haven and to our friends in peace; but above all things grant that we may always submit to thy will and pleasure, and obey

thy most holy law, and so pass the waves of this changing and troublesome world, that we may finally come to the land of everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Then may be read other Prayers of the Morning or Evening Service, or else the Benediction may immediately follow.

our life. Hear, Lord, and save us, in the name of our blessed Saviour, thy Son our Lord Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

THOU, O Lord, who stillest the raging of the sea, hear, hear us, and save us, that we perish not.

O God, whose Son Jesus Christ did save his disciples ready to perish in a storm; hear us, and save us, we beseech thee.

Lord be merciful to us sinners, and save us for thy mercies' sake.

PRAYER IN STORMS AT SEA.

O MOST glorious and gracious Lord God, who dwellest in heaven, but beholdest all things below; look down, we beseech thee, and hear us, calling out of the depth of misery, and out of the jaws of this death, which is now ready to swallow us up. Save, Lord, or else we perish. The living, the living shall praise thee. O send thy word of command to rebuke the raging winds, and the roaring sea; that we, being delivered from this distress, may live to serve thee, and to glorify thy name all the days of

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PSALM 107.

O THAT men would praise the Lord for his goodness; and declare the wonders that he doeth for the children of men!

That they would offer unto him the sacrifice of thanksgiving; and tell out his works with gladness!

They that go down to the sea in ships; and occupy their business in great waters;

These men see the works of the Lord and his wonders in the deep.

For at his word, the stormy wind ariseth: which lifteth up the waves thereof.

They are carried up to the heaven, and down again to the deep; their soul melteth away because of the trouble.

So when they cry unto the Lord in their trouble, he delivereth them out of their distress.

For he maketh the storm to cease, so that the waves thereof are still.

Then are they glad, because they are at rest; and so he bringeth them unto the haven where they would be.

O that men would therefore praise the Lord for his goodness; and declare the wonders that he doeth for the children of men!

That they would exalt him also in the congregation of the people; and praise him in the seat of the elders!

COLLECT OF THANKSGIVING.

O MOST mighty and gracious good God, thy mercy is over all thy works, but in special manner hath

been extended towards us, whom thou hast so powerfully and wonderfully defended. Thou hast showed us terrible things, and wonders in the deep, that we might see how powerful and gracious a God thou art; how able and ready to help those who trust in thee. Thou hast showed us how both winds and seas obey thy command; that we may learn even from them hereafter to obey thy voice, and to do thy will. We therefore bless and glorify thy name, for this thy mercy, in saving us when we were ready to perish. And we beseech thee, make us as truly sensible now of thy mercy, as we were then of the danger; and give us hearts always ready to express our thankfulness, not only by words, but also by our lives, in being more obedient to thy holy commandments. Continue, we beseech thee, this thy goodness to us; that we, whom thou hast saved, may serve thee in holiness and righteousness all the days of our life, through Jesus Christ our Lord and Saviour. *Amen.*

THREE ADDITIONAL SERVICES

FOR MORNING OR EVENING.

FIRST SERVICE.

The Service is to be introduced by the following Address from the Minister to the People.

O BE joyful in the Lord, all ye people ; serve the Lord with gladness, and come before his presence with a song.

Be ye sure that the Lord he is God ; it is he who hath made us, and not we ourselves ; we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.

Enter into his gates with thanksgiving, and into his courts with praise ; be thankful unto him, and speak good of his name.

For the Lord is gracious, his mercy is everlasting, and his truth endureth from generation to generation.

People.

Unto the Lord our God will we lift up our souls, and magnify his name together.

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THE INTRODUCTORY PRAYER.

O LORD God Almighty, before whom all creatures bow, the fountain of life and the father of all mercies, we thine unworthy servants come before thee in humble acknowledgment of thine eternal power and majesty. Thou art the only living and true God ; thy kingdom ruleth over all, and thy goodness is without bounds. Assist us to worship thee in spirit and in truth ; may we celebrate thy perfections and speak of thy wonderful works with reverence ; give thanks unto thee, and sing thy praises with joy ; humble ourselves before thee with sincere and contrite hearts ; and pray unto

thee under a just sense of our dependence on thy providence, and with fervent charity to all mankind. Graciously accept these our devotions, which we offer in the name and as disciples of Jesus Christ our Lord, by whom thou hast encouraged us to come with confidence to the throne of thy grace.

Peopl.

May the words of our mouths, and the meditations of our hearts, be acceptable in thy sight, O Lord, our strength and our redeemer.

Then shall be recited the following Anthem, or instead of it the Psalms appointed for the day.

Min. WE praise thee, O God ; we worship thee, the most glorious and the best of beings ; the creator and governor of all things, visible and invisible.

Peo. O Lord God, thou art greatly to be praised ; and to be had in reverence by all who draw nigh unto thee.

Min. We acknowledge thee, the one, living, and

true God ; God in heaven above, and earth beneath, and throughout all worlds ; there is none beside thee.

Peo. Unto us there is but one God ; to whom be glory for ever.

Min. Thou alone art from everlasting, without beginning of days, or end of years ; thou livest and reignest for ever and ever.

Peo. We magnify thee, the high and lofty One, who inhabitest eternity.

Min. Thou art a spiritual and incorruptible being ; who dwellest in light inaccessible, and full of glory ; whom no mortal eye hath seen, or can see.

Peo. We would worship thee, who art a spirit, in spirit and in truth.

Min. Infinite art thou, O God ; thou dwellest not in temples made with hands ; the universe is thy temple, thou art present at all times in every part of thy dominion.

Peo. In thee we live, and move, and have our being.

Min. Thine is the greatness, and the power, and the glory, and the majesty ; all things in heaven and earth are thine ; thine is the kingdom, and thou art

to be worshipped as Lord over all.

Peo. Thou art great, and greatly to be feared; thy greatness is unsearchable.

Min. Thou art perfect in wisdom, wonderful in counsel, and excellent in all thy works.

Peo. To the only wise God, be honour and glory for ever.

Min. Holy art thou, O God; thou art of purer eyes than to behold iniquity; thy countenance regardeth the upright.

Peo. We reverence thy name; for thou art holy.

Min. Thy righteousness is like the great mountains; thy truth reacheth to the heavens; justice and judgment are the everlasting foundations of thy throne.

Peo. Just and true are all thy ways, O thou King of saints.

Min. Thou art good, and thou doest good continually; all thy works bear testimony to thy rich and overflowing bounty; every good, and every perfect gift is from above, and cometh down from thee, the Father of all.

Peo. O Lord, thy good-

ness is above all praise; universal as thy works, and endless as eternity.

Min. All glory and honour, blessing and praise, might, majesty, and dominion be unto God for ever. *Amen.*

Then may follow a Voluntary on the Organ; after which the FIRST LESSON is to be read out of the Old Testament; and then the Service is to proceed with the following Thanksgivings.

Minister.

LET us now offer up unto God our sincere and humble thanksgivings, for his great goodness to us, and to all mankind.

Let us meditate upon his mercies with delight; and let the words of our mouths, and the actions of our lives, show forth his praise.

People.

Bless the Lord, O our souls, and forget not all his benefits.

Minister.

We thank thee, O Father,

Lord of heaven and earth, for the innumerable mercies which thou hast bestowed upon us. We acknowledge, with all gratitude and joy, the gift of life; thine almighty voice hath called us into being; and thy hand hath placed us in this part of thy glorious works.

We thank thee for the wise and useful frame of our bodies; and for the nobler powers of our minds; by which we are enabled to contemplate the beauty of thy works, and the wonderful order of thy providence; and to attain the knowledge and love of thee, the creator of the world, and the author of all good.

We thank thee, O ever bountiful and most gracious God, for the continual preservation of our lives; our food and raiment are the daily gifts of thy bounty; thou givest us health and fruitful seasons, and fillest our hearts with joy and gladness.

People.

Blessed be the Lord for his goodness and for his wonderful works to the children of men.

Minister.

We thank thee, O heavenly Father, that thy goodness to mankind is not confined to the present world, but that thou hast awakened in us the glorious hope of immortality, and by the various means of thy providence and grace, art training us up for a heavenly and everlasting life.

Above all we praise and magnify thee, for the rich display of thy goodness, in the manifestation of thy Son Jesus Christ, whom thou hast raised up to bless mankind, to turn them from darkness to light, and from the power of sin, to the worship and obedience of thee, the true God.

We acknowledge with the highest gratitude, the perfect doctrine of our blessed Saviour; that by him thou hast given us thy heavenly truth, to enlighten our minds, to sanctify our hearts, and guide our feet in the way of peace; and that in his life thou hast set before us an example of the most exalted goodness, to animate our endeavors, and to encour-

age us to press forward continually in the christian course.

We thank thee for the promises of thy mercy and forgiveness, upon repentance and newness of life ; for the aid of thy gracious influence to help our infirmities ; and for the blessed hope of eternal life, confirmed to us in the gospel.

We rejoice in the exceeding riches of thy grace ; that thou hast exalted thy Son Jesus to be a prince and a Saviour ; who having been obedient unto the death of the cross, is by thy wise and merciful appointment become the author of eternal salvation to all those who obey him.

People.

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, for his goodness, and for his wonderful works to the children of men.

Here the SECOND LESSON is to be read, out of the New Testament ; and then the Service may proceed as follows.

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Minister.

IF we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

If we confess and forsake our sins, God is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Let us therefore, with humble and contrite hearts confess our sins at the throne of the heavenly grace.

The GENERAL CONFESSION ; to be read by the Minister alone.

ALMIGHTY God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, maker of all things, and judge of all men ; we acknowledge and lament before thee the manifold errors and follies of our lives ; we have not duly hearkened to the voice of thy word ; we have been too unmindful of thy goodness, and ungrateful to thee, our continual benefactor ; we have not always done unto others, as we would that they should do unto us ; we have exposed ourselves to thy righteous displeasure. Our

only hope is in thy mercy, which endureth for ever. We bow ourselves before the throne of thy grace, imploring thy pardon. O God, have mercy upon the works of thy hands; forgive and accept thy people, according to thy promises in Jesus Christ our Lord, who hath encouraged us to hope for thy mercy, upon repentance and amendment of life. We desire, with our whole hearts, to return to the obedience of thy commandments. Enable us, O God, by the assistance of thy holy Spirit, to forsake every evil way, to correct whatever is wrong in our tempers and conduct, and to delight in the practice of every thing good and virtuous; that we may obtain from thee, the God of all mercy, the forgiveness of our sins, and an inheritance among those who are sanctified, through the redemption which is in Jesus Christ.

People.

Create in us, O God, a clean heart, and renew a right spirit within us.

Then shall be read the COLLECT FOR THE DAY, and one or more of the following Prayers.

FOR RESIGNATION.

O LORD God, whose never failing providence ordereth all things both in heaven and in earth, and who art the author of every good and perfect gift; we submit ourselves to the disposal of that wisdom which cannot err, and to the care of that goodness which is unchangeable and everlasting. Lead us whither thou pleasest; place us in what circumstances thou shalt judge proper; we would do thy whole will with fidelity and pleasure; we would bear thy whole will with submission and patience. Defend us, O gracious Father, from every real evil; confer upon us every needful good; may all events conspire to the improvement and establishment of our virtue; and may we be conducted by thine unerring hand, through all the changes of this mortal life, and finally be admitted to the everlasting habitations of the

just, which thou hast promised to thy faithful servants by Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

FOR ALL MANKIND.

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, who hast taught us to offer prayers, supplications, and intercessions for all men, we beseech thee to extend thy mercy to all mankind; may all the families and kingdoms of the earth, be brought to the knowledge and pure worship of thee, the only true God; enlarge the kingdom of our Lord Jesus Christ, that kingdom of truth and righteousness, which shall never be destroyed; put an end to all idolatry, superstition, and false religion; may all those who profess the faith of Christ, be shining examples of goodness; may the spirit of persecution for ever cease; and may truth and righteousness, peace and charity every where abound. *Amen.*

FOR OUR COUNTRY.

O LORD God, high and mighty, who dost from thy

throne behold all the dwellers upon earth; look down with favour and mercy upon these United States of America. May a speedy and effectual stop be put to the progress of immorality and profaneness; may public virtue prevail, and on that lasting foundation may the public happiness be established; may our liberties be preserved inviolate, and handed down to the latest posterity. Bless us with health and fruitful seasons; crown the year with thy goodness; dispose us all to a grateful and temperate enjoyment of the bounties of thy providence; and may we show forth thy praise, not only with our lips, but in our lives, by giving up ourselves to thy service, and by walking before thee, in holiness and righteousness all our days. *Amen.*

FOR RULERS.

ALMIGHTY God, the King of kings, and fountain of all power, we humbly beseech thee to behold with thy favour the President of the United States, and all others in authority. May they discharge the

duties of their stations with understanding and wisdom; with integrity and honour; and under their government, may we and all thy people lead quiet and peaceable lives in all godliness and honesty; keeping the unity of the spirit in the bond of peace, and in righteousness of life. *Amen.*

FOR THE MINISTERS OF
RELIGION.

O GOD, the Father of lights, and fountain of all good, endue the ministers of thy true religion, of every denomination, and in every part of the christian world, with the spirit and temper of Jesus Christ. May they diligently pursue the good work of instructing the ignorant, and reforming the vicious; and in all the duties of their office, may they conduct themselves as examples to their flocks; and by the excellence of their doctrines, and the holiness of their lives, may they save themselves and those who hear them. *Amen.*

FOR THOSE IN AFFLICTION.

MOST merciful and

gracious God, the God of all consolation and hope; we humbly recommend to thy fatherly goodness, all those who are any ways afflicted or distressed, in mind, body, or estate; be thou, in thy great mercy, a father to the fatherless, and the defender of the widow; provide for the poor, give health to the sick, and ease to those who are in oppression; give to all fortitude in the day of trial, and in due time, a happy deliverance out of their afflictions. And from the various calamities we meet with in life, may we learn to pity the distressed, to sympathize with the afflicted, to be patient under all the appointments of thy providence, and be excited to the pursuit of that happiness, which ariseth from the practice of virtue and piety, and from the glorious hope of immortality, which thou hast promised to the faithful followers of Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

CONCLUDING PRAYER.

O LORD, our heavenly Father, almighty and everlasting God, who hast per-

- en. Give us this day our
; daily bread. And forgive
l us our trespasses, As we
l forgive those who trespass
- against us. And lead us
; not into temptation, But
l deliver us from evil. For
; thine is the kingdom, and
t the power, and the glory,
l For ever and ever. *Amen.*

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; NOW unto him who is
; able to keep us from fall-
; ing, and to present us fault-
; less before the presence of
; his glory with exceeding
; joy, to the only wise God
; our Saviour, be glory and
; majesty, dominion and
; power, through Jesus
; Christ, for ever and ever.
; *Amen.*

SECOND SERVICE.

The Service is to be introduced by the following Address from the Minister to the People.

HEAR, all ye people ;
give ear, all ye inhabitants
of the world ; for the Lord
God omnipotent reigneth.

Let the heaven and the
earth praise him ; the sea,
and every thing that mov-
eth therein.

Trust in him at all times,
ye people ; pour out your
hearts before him ; for
God is our refuge.

Offer unto him the sa-
crifice of righteousness ;
for in his presence is ful-
ness of joy, and at his right
hand are pleasures for
evermore.

People.

The Lord reigneth ; let
the earth rejoice.

INTRODUCTORY PRAYER.

O EVER blessed, and

most glorious God, the ob-
ject of supreme veneration,
on whom all the fami-
lies of the earth continu-
ally depend ; we would
present ourselves before
thee with reverence and
humility ; we would offer
unto thee our sacrifice of
praise and thanksgiving,
with joy and gratitude.
By celebrating thy perfec-
tions, may we be excited
to an ardent love and imi-
tation of thee, our Father
in heaven ; and may the
remembrance of thy great
goodness to us, and to all
mankind, incline us to love
and serve one another as
brethren. May we confess
our sins with unfeigned
sorrow, and steady pur-
poses of amendment ; may
we pray unto thee, as the
bountiful dispenser of eve-

ry good thing; may our intercessions be accompanied with charity to all men; may no vain thoughts distract our minds, no unworthy object withdraw our affections; but may our whole hearts be engaged in thy worship, and may the influence of these our religious services be manifested in our future lives; which we humbly ask in the name and as disciples of Jesus Christ our Lord.

People.

Graciously hear us, O God, graciously hear us, O Lord God.

Then shall be recited the following Anthem, or instead of it the Psalms appointed for the Day.

Min. WE praise thee, O God, we worship thee, the one true and living God, who art infinite and unchangeable in all thy perfections.

Peo. Blessed art thou O Lord God, and worthy to be praised for ever.

Min. Thou, O God, art King of kings, Lord of lords, the great and only potentate, the creator and

preserver of all things; thou didst speak, and the world was made; thy providence supports the works of thy hands; and the happiness of thy creatures is the end of all.

Peo. Thou art God over all, blessed for ever more.

Min. Before the mountains were brought forth, or ever thou hadst formed the earth and the world, from everlasting to everlasting thou art God.

Peo. Thou livest, and reignest for ever.

Min. Thou art the Lord, and changest not; of old hast thou laid the foundations of the earth, and the heavens are the work of thy hands; they shall perish, but thou shalt endure; thy counsel standeth fast, and thy thoughts unto all generations.

Peo. Thou art the same, yesterday, today, and for ever.

Min. We adore and worship thee, as a pure and spiritual being, whom no man hath seen, or can see; thou passest by us on every side, but we behold thee not; thou continually workest wonders on the right hand and on the left, but we do not perceive thee.

Peo. Thou art a spirit ; and they who worship thee, must worship thee in spirit and in truth.

Min. Whither can we flee from thy presence ? heaven is thy throne, the earth is thy footstool, and the universe thy habitation.

Peo. All things are full of thee.

Min. Who can withstand thy power ? the mountains shake from their foundations, the rocks melt as wax, and the earth trembleth at thy presence ; thou doest whatever thou pleasest in the armies of heaven, and among the inhabitants of the world.

Peo. With the Lord our God is everlasting strength.

Min. Thou hast founded the earth by thy wisdom, and stretched out the heavens by thine understanding ; by thy knowledge the depths are broken up, and the clouds drop down the dew ; thou art mighty in wisdom, wonderful in counsel, and excellent in all thy works.

Peo. O Lord, how manifold are thy works ; in wisdom hast thou made them all.

Min. Thou art the righteous Lord, who exercisest

judgment in the earth ; thy righteousness is like the great mountains, thy faithfulness reached above the clouds ; eternal truth is thy law.

Peo. Upright art thou, O Lord ; all thy works are just and true.

Min. O Lord God, holy and reverend is thy name ; thou art of purer eyes than to behold iniquity ; sinners cannot stand before thee ; but the upright in heart are always in the light of thy countenance.

Peo. We reverence thee, O Lord, for thou art holy.

Min. Above all we praise thee, we worship thee, as the Lord God gracious and merciful, the God of love, and of all consolation ; thou exercisest loving kindness and benignity ; thou delightest to make all thy creatures happy ; thou doest good continually ; and thy tender mercies are over all thy works.

Peo. O that men would praise the Lord for his goodness, and for his wonderful works to the children of men.

Min. But who, O Lord, can show forth all thy praise ? We behold the

monuments of thy power ; we trace the footsteps of thy wisdom ; and every moment of our lives partake of the riches of thy goodness ; but none can say how great, and wise, and good thou art.

Peo. Who can find out thee, the Almighty, unto perfection ?

Min. With one consent, and with our whole hearts, we would celebrate thy glorious perfections here below, until our souls become prepared for thy kingdom and service above ; there to worship thee in a more perfect manner, through the ages of eternity. *Amen.*

Then may follow a Voluntary on the Organ ; after which the FIRST LESSON is to be read out of the Old Testament ; and then the Service is to proceed with the following Thanksgiving.

Minister.

REJOICE in the Lord, all ye people ; come into his presence with thanksgiving, and be devout and joyful in his service.

Sing praises unto him,

and bless him ; for he is good, and his mercy endureth for ever.

People.

We will give thanks unto the Lord, for he is good, and his mercy endureth for ever.

Minister.

Almighty God, Father of all mercies ; we would offer unto thee our unfeigned thanksgivings for the discoveries thou hast made of thyself in the works of thy hands, and for thy goodness and loving kindness to us and to all men.

We thank thee for our creation, for the excellent form of our bodies, for the breath of life, the light of reason and conscience, the benevolent and friendly affections, and all the useful and noble powers of our minds. We thank thee for our continual preservation, for the food we eat, the raiment with which we are clothed, and the habitations wherein we dwell ; for health and peace and safety ; for every personal and family and public blessing ; for every friendly

and social enjoyment, and for all the happiness of our lives.

People.

Bless the Lord, O our souls, and forget not all his benefits.

Minister.

But above all we bless thee, O ever gracious Father, for thine inestimable love in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ, for the means of grace, and the hope of glory. We thank thee for those pure and heavenly doctrines which he hath taught, to lead mankind in the way of truth and salvation; for those holy and excellent rules of virtue and true religion, which he hath laid down in his gospel; and for the perfect example which he hath left us, that we might follow his steps. We thank thee, that in obedience to thine authority, and to fulfil all righteousness, he submitted unto death, that being made perfect by suffering, he might become the author

of eternal salvation to all who obey him.

And finally we bless thee, the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, that by raising him from the dead, thou hast confirmed to us the glorious and joyful hope of an inheritance incorruptible, undefiled, and which fadeth not away, reserved in the heavens for us.

People.

Glory be to God in the highest; on earth peace, good will to men.

Minister.

O Lord our God, who can number all thy mercies? thy bounty prevents our requests, seasonably supplies every returning want, and gives us all things richly to enjoy. Write a law of thankfulness on our hearts, we beseech thee, and grant that we may walk before thee, in holiness and righteousness, all the days of our lives. *Amen.*

*Here the SECOND LESSON
is to be read, out of the*

New Testament ; and then the Service may proceed as follows.

Minister.

SURELY it is meet to be said unto God, We have done iniquity.

To the Lord our God belong mercies and forgivenesses, though we have sinned against him.

Let us therefore confess and lament our manifold transgressions, before the throne of grace.

GENERAL CONFESSION.

ALMIGHTY and most merciful Father, we confess that in many things we have all offended ; we have not duly improved the talents with which thou hast intrusted us ; we have too often neglected our duty to ourselves and to our fellow creatures, and our consciences witness against us. With humble and penitent hearts we lament before thee, O our Father, every instance of disobedience ; whatever we have done amiss in thought, word, or deed ; every offence against thee, our neighbour, or ourselves.

Forgive our sins, we beseech thee, and cleanse us from all unrighteousness ; and may we bring forth the fruits which are meet for repentance, by walking in newness of life, in humble expectation of thy mercy declared unto mankind through Jesus Christ our Lord.

People.

O God, make clean our hearts within us, and take not thy holy Spirits from us.

Then shall be read the COLLECT FOR THE DAY, and one or more of the following Prayers.

FOR TEMPORAL MERCIES.

ALMIGHTY God, the giver of every good and perfect gift, we recommend ourselves and all our concerns to the disposal of thy gracious providence. Thou knowest what is truly good for us, and it is our highest happiness that we are under thy fatherly care. In humble submission to thy wise and gracious will, we beseech thee to bless us with health of body,

and peace of mind ; and to bestow upon us such a share of the good things of this life, as thou knowest to be best for us. Conduct us by thy gracious hand through all the changes of this world ; and may we at last be perfect and happy, in that heavenly inheritance, which is incorruptible, and fadeth not away. *Amen.*

FOR ALL MANKIND.

O GOD, the Father of all mankind, we offer up unto thee our prayers and intercessions for our fellow creatures. Mercifully regard the work of thy hands. Let thy name be known, and thy pure worship prevail throughout the world. May all people, nations, and languages acknowledge thee, the true God. Put an end to idolatry, superstition, and all false religion. May wisdom and goodness, liberty and peace, charity and happiness, every where abound ; and thy kingdom of truth and righteousness spread and flourish, until it cover the face of the whole earth. *Amen.*

FOR RULERS.

O LORD God, high and mighty, King of kings, Lord of lords, we humbly beseech thee with thy favour to behold the President of the United States, and all others in authority. May they be eminent for wisdom and for the virtues which adorn their stations. May they be the faithful guardians of our public liberties, and the instruments of transmitting them to posterity. May we have reason to rejoice in them as the ministers of thy providence to us for good ; and may they finally be found worthy of everlasting life. *Amen.*

FOR CHRISTIAN MINISTERS.

O GOD, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the fountain of light, from whom cometh every good and perfect gift, we humbly beseech thee to send down thy blessing upon christian Ministers of every denomination ; may they be so replenished with the truth of thy doctrines, and so exemplary in unaffected piety and goodness of life,

that they may become the means of turning many to righteousness, and of promoting the knowledge and practice of the pure and holy gospel of Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

FOR THE AFFLICTED.

O GOD, the creator and preserver of mankind, we commend to thy fatherly goodness, all those who are any ways afflicted or distressed in mind, body, or estate; may it please thee to comfort and relieve them according to their several necessities, giving them patience under their sufferings, and a happy issue out of all their afflictions. *Amen.*

CONCLUDING PRAYER.

O LORD God our heavenly Father, who hast permitted us with one accord to make our common supplications unto thee, fulfil, we beseech thee, the desires and petitions of thy servants, as thou in thy wisdom knowest to be good for us. We commit ourselves to the care of thy providence; mercifully de-

fend us from all the dangers to which we may be exposed; graciously accept these our services, and grant that in all our works begun, continued, and ended, we may glorify thy holy name, and finally obtain everlasting life and felicity; which we humbly ask in the name and as the disciples of Jesus Christ our Lord; in whose words we conclude our prayers.

OUR Father, who art in heaven, Hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come; Thy will be done on earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, And forgive us our trespasses, As we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, But deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, For ever and ever. *Amen.*

NOW unto the King eternal, immortal, invisible, the only wise God, be honour and glory, through Jesus Christ, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

THIRD SERVICE.

The Service is to be introduced by the following Sentences from the Minister to the People.

Minister.

GOD is a spirit, and they who worship him, must worship him in spirit and in truth.

I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that ye present yourselves a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service.

People.

Blessed are they who keep his statutes and seek him with their whole heart.

INTRODUCTORY PRAYER.

O ALMIGHTY and eternal God; the heavens and the earth, and all things which we behold,

declare thine existence, and thy perfections; thy goodness is unchangeable, and thy wisdom past finding out. Thou art exalted in majesty and power, far above our highest conceptions; yet thou regardest us with the tenderness of a father, and showest favour and loving kindness to the children of men. We would now offer unto thee, O God, our religious homage, encouraged by thy goodness, and thy gracious promises in the gospel of thy Son. May we remember thee our Creator, Preserver, and Benefactor, with fear, love, and gratitude; and worship thee, who art a spirit, in spirit and in truth; that our various services may be acceptable in thy sight;

that by all thy means of grace, we may grow wiser and better, be gradually trained up for thy heavenly kingdom, and at last become partakers of that happiness which eye hath not seen, which ear hath not heard, and which it hath not entered into the heart of man to conceive. These our petitions we present unto thee, in the name and as the disciples of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

People.

O thou who hearest prayer, unto thee do we lift up our souls.

Then shall be recited the following Anthem, or instead of it the Psalms appointed for the Day.

Min. WE praise thee, O God; we acknowledge and adore thee, the one, true, and living God, who art alone independent and eternal; whose perfections are infinite, and counsels unchangeable; the greatest, wisest, and best of beings. The heavens declare thy glory; the earth is full

of thy goodness; the day is thine, the night also is thine, and thou makest the morning and the evening to rejoice. We thine intelligent creatures would pay our tribute of joyful praise to thee, O God, the sovereign creator and Lord of all; thou art worthy to receive glory and honour, adoration and praise, from all thy creatures.

Peo. O God, may thy perfections fill our hearts with love and joy, while our lips show forth thy praise.

Min. Thou, O God, art the creator of mankind; thy hands have made us and fashioned us; thou hast created the spirit that is in man, breathed into us the breath of life, and by thine inspiration, hast given us understanding.

Peo. O God, thou hast made us, and not we ourselves; we are thy people, and the sheep of thy pasture.

Min. Thou, O God, art the giver of life; in thy hand is the soul of every living thing, and the breath of all mankind; thou art the preserver of men.

Peo. Thy visitation pre-

serveth our spirits, and thou, Lord, makest us to dwell in safety.

Min. O thou most high God, possessor of heaven and earth, the judge of all, and the universal King, thy government is righteous, thy providence perfect, and all thy commandments are holy, just, and good; the obedience of all reasonable creatures is due to thee alone, the King of kings, the Lord of lords, the blessed and only potentate.

Peo. We bow ourselves before thee, thy willing subjects; thy commandments are true, and righteous altogether.

Min. O God, thou art our creator, and righteous governor; we rejoice in thee, being which we have received from thee; we yield a willing submission to all the orders of thy government, and we address thee as our Father who hast made us to bear thine image, and to partake of the blessings of thy family.

Peo. We are thy children; therefore do we pray unto thee.

Min. We rejoice in thy fatherly care, which thou

hast manifested unto us, ever since we came into the world; we put our confidence in thee, whose counsel is our guide, and whose favour is our highest happiness.

Peo. Blessed be the Lord for his goodness, and for his wonderful works to the children of men.

Then may follow a Voluntary on the Organ; after which the FIRST LESSON is to be read out of the Old Testament; and then the Service is to proceed with the following Thanksgiving.

Minister.

EVER gracious and most merciful Father; thou art the giver of all good; thou delightest in the happiness of thy creatures, and art daily imparting the riches of thy bounty. We thank thee for all the instances of thy goodness to us. Thou art the former of our bodies, and the Father of our spirits; thou hast exercised a wise and gracious care over us, ever since we came into the world; by thee are all our wants supplied, from thee all our enjoyments proceed,

and thou crownest our days
with thy goodness.

We thank thee for reason and understanding, and for all the treasures of knowledge thou hast opened to our view ; that thou hast formed us for the practice of virtue and true religion, and given us opportunities for the improvement of our minds, and the attainment of our highest happiness.

We thank thee, that we are placed in a social state, are endued with social affections, and may enjoy so many pleasures, from the esteem and friendship of our brethren.

To thy goodness we ascribe all the enjoyments we receive from the practice of virtue, and the just exercise of our powers ; the variety of trials thou hast appointed for the improvement and perfection of our natures here, and the prospect thou givest us of a more happy and perfect state hereafter.

People.

We give thanks unto the Lord, for he is good, and his mercy endureth for ever.

Minister.

We bless thee, thou wise and gracious disposer of all things, for the various dispensations of thy providence in favor of religion and the happiness of mankind, in the several ages of the world ; for all the divine messengers thou hast sent, by whose instruction and example thy light and truth have been preserved in the darkest times of ignorance and idolatry.

Above all we thank thee, for the display of the exceeding riches of thy grace in Jesus Christ, by whom thou hast made every necessary provision for our improvement in true religion.

Blessed be thy name, O God, for this divine teacher and Saviour, whom thou hast sent to declare unto us thy heavenly will, to save us from ignorance and vice, and to lead us, by his heavenly instructions and perfect example, to the love and practice of universal goodness.

We praise thee, O merciful Father, for all that he hath done and suffered to

redeem us from all iniquity, and to purify unto himself a peculiar people, zealous of good works.

We offer up our warmest gratitude to thee, that notwithstanding our manifold sins and imperfections thou hast appointed us to obtain salvation by our Lord Jesus Christ, that by him we are assured of pardon, and thy gracious acceptance, upon our return to obedience and virtue; that he has opened before us the solemnities of a future judgment, and confirmed to us the joyful hope of glory, honour, and immortality.

People.

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, for he is good, and his mercy endureth for ever.

Here the SECOND LESSON is to be read, out of the New Testament; and then the Minister may say,

HE who covereth his sin shall not prosper, but whoso confesseth and for-

saketh his sin shall obtain mercy.

O come, let us worship, and fall down; let us kneel before the Lord our maker; against him have we sinned and done evil in his sight.

GENERAL CONFESSION.

ALMIGHTY and most merciful Father, we confess that we have sinned against thee; we have disregarded thine authority, and abused thy goodness; we have acted inconsistently with our christian character, and departed from thy holy commandments; we have been unmindful of the perfect example set before us, and forgotten the sure and precious promises to which we are called. Our only hope is in thy mercy. Suffer us not, O Lord, to perish in our transgressions; save us from the dominion of them for the time to come. Grant us, we beseech thee, thy gracious assistance in the future course of our lives, and teach us to act agreeably to the profession which we make, and the desires we

have now expressed before thee. Give us such a deep persuasion of the evil of sin, and of the importance and excellence of a holy and virtuous life, that we may carefully abstain from all iniquity, and be filled with the fruits of righteousness, which are to thy honor and glory. Vouchsafe unto us the light of thy countenance, and establish our minds in a firm reliance on thy goodness and mercy declared unto mankind, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

People.

Lord have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep thy law.

*Then shall be read the
COLLECT FOR THE DAY,
and one or more of the
following Prayers.*

FOR ALL MANKIND.

O GOD, the Father of all mankind, we rejoice in thy universal providence, and commit to thy direction all the concerns of our fellow creatures. Thou art the fountain of all blessings, thou delightest in

doing good; grant, merciful Father, that all mankind may perceive thy hand in the advantages which they enjoy, and be disposed to render thee their humble thanks for all the instances of thy beneficence. Fill the minds of thy reasonable creatures with the knowledge of thy truth; cause thy light to shine upon those who sit in darkness; dispel the prejudices under which they labour; above all, we beg that thou wouldst deliver them from every evil affection, and bring them into the way of truth and happiness.

May the gospel of Jesus prevail through the world, and by the power of its truth, and the exemplary conduct of those who profess it, may it enter the hearts and govern the lives of all the inhabitants of the earth, and make all nations righteous and happy.

Reform, we beseech thee, all the disorders which arise from the evil passions of men, and prosper the just designs of all those who delight in peace; may the blessings of free and equal government become universal; and un-

der the influence of good laws, and a righteous administration, may all the advantages of civil society be widely extended, and the best interests of mankind be effectually secured; and whilst thy creatures enjoy the gifts of thy bounty, may they unite in praise and thanksgiving to thee, the Author of all good, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

FOR OUR COUNTRY.

WE commit to thee, our righteous Governor, all the important interests of our country; grant, we beseech thee, that we may live in safety, and enjoy the blessings which thy providence hath bestowed upon us, in tranquillity and peace. Mercifully preserve us from all public calamities; and may true religion and virtue so prevail among us, that our tranquillity may be continued, and our distinguished privileges be handed down to succeeding ages. Vouchsafe thy favor to all orders of men among us; by a diligent and cheerful discharge of the duties of *their several stations*, may

they contribute their part to the public welfare, and the happiness of all mankind. Bestow upon us, O merciful Father, every thing truly good, and may we with one heart acknowledge and praise thee, who art good, and doest good continually. *Amen.*

FOR RULERS.

O MOST mighty God, we commend to the care and direction of thy providence, the President of the United States, and all others in authority. May they be men fearing God, and hating covetousness; may they have wisdom to discern and firmness to pursue the true interests of this people; may they employ all their influence to promote peace and virtue; and under their government, may justice and judgment run down as a river, and righteousness as a mighty stream. *Amen.*

FOR CHRISTIAN MINISTERS.

WE recommend to thy gracious regard the ministers of the christian religion, humbly beseeching thee that their faithful en-

deavours to extend the knowledge of thy truth, and to promote the love and practice of thy holy commandments, may be favourably received, and become successful. May they do honour to thy truth, in their public services, and in their lives; and wilt thou direct thy servants in the way of righteousness to their highest happiness. *Amen.*

FOR ALL CHRISTIAN
CHURCHES.

WE beseech thee, O God of love and mercy, to send down thy blessing upon all who profess the faith of our Lord Jesus Christ; suffer not their divisions to injure the cause of truth and liberty; graciously assist those who love thy holy name, in all their sincere endeavours to reform the abuses which have entered into thy church, and to promote the peace and union of Christians. Give them just sentiments of the nature and tendency of our holy religion; fill their hearts with love to thee, and to each other. May they approve themselves

the faithful disciples of Jesus, and become the instruments of diffusing virtue and happiness in the world. *Amen.*

FOR THE AFFLICTED.

O GOD of mercy, we humbly implore thy favourable regard for all our brethren in affliction; may thy wisdom be their direction, thy power their support, and thy goodness their confidence; and by a patient behaviour under their afflictions, and a thankful acknowledgment of all thy mercies, may they be prepared for unmixed happiness in a future and better world. *Amen.*

A CONCLUDING PRAYER.

MERCIFULLY regard, O heavenly Father, these our petitions for ourselves and for others, and grant that by thus expressing the desires of our hearts before thee, we may be more impressed with reverence for thee, charity for all mankind, and concern for our religious improvement; pardon what thou hast seen amiss in us at this time; teach us the right

use of all our enjoyments ; bread. And forgive us lead us to a wise and careful improvement of all thy mercies, and finally advance us to thy glorious and everlasting kingdom, which thou hast promised by Jesus Christ our Lord, in whose words we conclude our prayers ; our trespasses, As we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, But deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, Forever and ever. *Amen.*

OUR Father, who art in heaven, Hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come ; Thy will be done on earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily

NOW unto him who is able to do for us exceeding abundantly, above all that we can ask or think, be glory and dominion forever and ever. *Amen.*

END OF THIRD SERVICE.

PRAYERS AND SERVICES

FOR

FAMILIES;

TOGETHER WITH

A CATECHISM FOR CHILDREN.



FAMILY PRAYERS.

SUNDAY MORNING.

ALMIGHTY and ever blessed God, source of all being, and fountain of all good; we, thy children, created by thee, continually preserved by thee, and indebted to thee for all that we possess and all that we enjoy, would come before thee this morning, to express our sense of thy goodness to us, to acknowledge our dependence upon thee, to adore thy greatness, and commend ourselves to thy care.

Glory be to thy name that thou hast made us capable of holding communion with thee, the Father of our spirits, and of receiving the revelations of thy word and will. Glory be to thy name for the heavenly doctrines, precepts, and promises of the gospel of thy Son.

We make it our earnest prayer to thee, that our hearts may be touched by its holy influences, that our characters may be formed by its spirit, that our lives may be governed by its laws. O guide us, we beseech thee, in the ways of its truth to the everlasting home which it promises to the righteous.

Let our attendance this day on thy public worship, and the services and instructions of thy house, conduce to our spiritual improvement and our eternal good. Let us enter thy gates with thanksgiving, and thy courts with praise, and take with us our best affections and resolutions to the temple of the Lord. Suffer not our minds to be distracted, nor our devotions to languish. Let not our thoughts, which ought to be engaged

in the holiest offices, be still returning to the cares, pleasures, and follies of a transitory world; neither let us take thy name upon our lips when our hearts are far from thee. But let our prayers and meditations exalt and purify us, and assist us to discharge our duties in this life, and contribute to prepare us for that eternal world to which we are rapidly hastening.

Bless all who call upon thy name this day. May they approach thee in sincerity, humility, and love. May all denominations of Christians, however divided in opinion, be joined together in the bond of peace and an earnest regard for the interests of true religion and virtue. And O let the name and the gospel of thy Son be known and glorified more and more, till the whole world shall come to the perfect light, and embrace the truth as it is in Jesus. In his worthy name, and as his disciples, we offer these our petitions; ascribing to thee, the King eternal, immortal, invisible, the only wise God, all glory and honour, might, majesty, and

dominion, now and for evermore. *Amen.*

SUNDAY EVENING.

OUR Father who art in heaven; accept, we beseech thee, our grateful acknowledgments for thy goodness to us this day; for preserving our lives; for shielding us from danger; for supplying our daily bread; for permitting our attendance on the ordinances of thy house. Let it not be in vain that those of us who have united with thy people in public worship, have lifted up our thoughts to God and listened to the voice of instruction. We fervently pray that whatever good impressions may have been made upon us may be durable; that whatever good resolutions we may have formed may be steadfastly kept; that the errors which we have confessed may be reformed; that every devout aspiration we may have breathed in the sanctuary may be remembered in the world, to guard us against temptation, and preserve us holy and undefiled. Help us all to set our affections on things

above. Keep ever in our minds a lively sense of our responsibility to thee. May we constantly live as in thy world, in thy sight, as thy subjects, thy creatures, thy children. Let it be our study at home and abroad, by day and by night, to love and fear thee as we ought, and to do those things which are well pleasing in thy sight.

We acknowledge, O thou Father and judge of men, that we have sinned against thee; that notwithstanding we have been continued in the world from day to day, and thy mercies have been borne to us on the wings of every hour, we have been unthankful and unthankful; we have often forgotten, and often disobeyed thee. O Father, pardon and reclaim us, and give us that repentance which needeth not to be repented of. Cleanse us from our secret faults, and let sin have no dominion over us. Enable us to become true followers of thy Son Jesus Christ in all things; to clothe ourselves with his humility, purity, and benevolence. Let thy will, as it was his, be ours also. Like him, may we *go about doing good.*

May the contemplation of his character, and imitation of his example, bring us constantly nearer to his own perfection, and to those mansions of everlasting happiness which he has promised to his disciples, and gone before to prepare for them.

Take us, Almighty God, under thy sovereign protection. Make us in soul and body wholly thine. Sanctify our domestic relations; and strengthen and purify the bonds of love which join thy servants together. May the blessings which we receive from thee, excite our gratitude and animate our obedience. May those sorrows, and privations, and pains, with which in thy wisdom thou mayest afflict us, be endured with fortitude and resignation, and improved to our eternal peace. Watch over us during the darkness of this night, and the defenceless hours of sleep; preserve us from all dangers; and bring us to the light of another morning more inclined to love thee, and resolved to serve thee, than we ever have been. Accept our evening sacrifice of prayer and praise, which

we offer in the name of Jesus Christ our most blessed Lord and Saviour. *Amen.*

MONDAY MORNING.

GREAT and glorious Lord our God; we, thy servants, whom thou hast brought to see the light of another morning, prostrate ourselves before thee, and humbly acknowledge thee as the God of our lives and the giver of all good. It is thou who sustainest us in the defenceless hours of sleep, and when we awake we are still with thee. Encompassed by the same care which guarded us by night, we go forth to the occupations of the day. O God, our trust is in thee. Give us grace to perform our duty faithfully; to use this world as not abusing it; to hold fast our integrity as long as we live; to remember that thou seest us always, and that we must render a final account of all that we do to thee, the witness and the judge of men.

We thank thee, O most merciful Father, for our domestic ties and family blessings. May we, the

members of this household, mutually endeavour to discharge our several duties to each other with tenderness and fidelity. Let the gentle and pure spirit of the blessed Jesus possess our hearts, and influence our conduct. Let tranquillity, harmony, and love abide in our dwelling, and the voice of health and cheerfulness be continually heard in it. Wilt thou extend thy loving kindness to all our friends. Delight in their happiness here, and make them heirs of the inheritance of the saints in the future and eternal world.

O thou, whose blessing is on the habitation of the just, let us be thy joyful objects of that blessing, now and for evermore. Let thy mercy encompass our abode, and follow us in all our ways. Throughout our earthly pilgrimage, be thou our guide and comforter; let thy rod and thy staff be our support in the valley of the shadow of death; and lift up the light of thy countenance upon us in the regions of eternal day. O God, hear us in thy great mercy; pity our infirmities; pardon

our sins; and from our united hearts accept this tribute of devotion, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

MONDAY EVENING.

O THOU who dwellest in the heavens, but whom the heaven of heavens cannot contain, unto thee do we lift up our souls. Thou art never far from any one of us, and we cannot flee from thy presence. If we say, The darkness shall hide us, even the night shall be light about us; for the darkness and the light are both alike to thee. Thou seest us at this moment, and discernest every thought and intention of our hearts. Thou art acquainted with all our ways, and there is not a word in our tongues, but lo, O Lord, thou knowest it altogether. Let this momentous truth be deeply impressed upon our minds. However occupied, and in whatever place or circumstances we may be, may we remember that thou art with us; that no fault which we commit will be overlooked; no virtue we exercise be unnoticed, and no prayers

which we utter be unheard by thee, our God. Encircled in thy protecting arms, may we fear no evil. Encompassed by thine awful presence, may we dread all sin. When discouraged by difficulties, let us look up to thee from whom our help cometh; and when distressed by calamity, may we take refuge in thy mercy, and find peace by staying our minds on the eternal One. Through life, may we act always as seeing him who is invisible. In death, may we find our consolation in the presence of him, who, when flesh and heart fail, will be the strength of our heart and our portion for ever.

Accept our thanks, most merciful Father, for thy great goodness in bringing us to the close of another day, in the enjoyment of so many blessings. While we gratefully receive the gifts of thy bounty, let us not incur the guilt of loving the creature more than the Creator, or of laying up treasure on earth to the neglect of our treasure in heaven; but help us so to pass through things temporal, that we finally lose not things eternal.

Graciously regard whatever of duty we have this day performed. Forgive whatever has been sinful in us. Let no evil come near us or our dwelling in the night; and bring us to the morning rejoicing still in thy great goodness, and praising thee, the Father of all mercies, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

TUESDAY MORNING.

ALMIGHTY God, maker of all things, whose we are, and on whom we entirely depend; we bless thee that thou hast kept us during the past night; that thou hast refreshed us with grateful slumbers; that thou hast preserved us from the dangers which walk in darkness, and hast opened our eyes on the light of another day. We acknowledge, O God, that these are but a small part of thy mercies. Thou hast been always with us; thou art continually doing us good. All the blessings which we enjoy, or have ever enjoyed come down from thee, the Father and the Friend of all.

We would call upon our

souls, and all that is within us to bless and praise thy holy name, and not to forget all the benefits of him, who forgiveth our iniquities, who healeth our diseases, who redeemeth our lives from destruction, and crowneth us with loving kindness and tender mercy. O teach us how to thank thee as we ought; to show forth thy praise not only with our lips but in our lives; by giving up ourselves to thy service, and by walking before thee in holiness and righteousness all our days. Let us cherish that faith which is imbibed from a pure doctrine, and is manifested by a holy life. Let us cultivate that piety which deeply reverences and supremely loves a Being of infinite perfections, and which produces, as its natural fruit, a sincere love for all mankind. May every day of our lives be marked by some valuable improvement, some act of virtue, some victory over temptation and passion. May we be continually advancing nearer to perfection, to the moral likeness of our Saviour, and to thy rest and happiness above.

O God, we look to thee for thy protection through this day. Keep us from danger, from sickness, and from falling into sin. Enable us to be useful to society, and to obtain the approbation of those whom we love. Let us especially so conduct ourselves this day, and through all our days, as to secure thy favour which is life, and thy loving kindness which is better than life. We ask all things in the name, and as disciples of thy blessed Son, our Saviour, Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

TUESDAY EVENING.

EVER gracious and indulgent God, who hast brought us to the close of this day in safety and peace; we render thee our devout thanksgivings for the mercies which we have experienced; and commend ourselves to thy continued protection. Unworthy as we are, we yet would seek thy face and implore thy favour, for thou hast bid us look to thee as our merciful Father, who will never forget nor forsake his children, and is always ready

to forgive those who truly turn to him.

We therefore pray thee, O Father, that above all things thou wouldst assist us in loving and serving thee. What our lot shall be, we leave to thy wise providence; but O teach us, under all circumstances, to be grateful to thee in prosperity, and resigned to thy will in affliction and distress. Inspire our hearts with a purer love to thee; enlighten our minds with heavenly wisdom; and make our desires conform themselves to thy purposes. Let gratitude be the pervading disposition of our souls. May we always feel that we are thy children; that we have received from thee infinitely more than we deserve; and that the least return which we can make to thee, is, to be contented and cheerful under thy paternal government.

May our reverence for thy will and commandments be displayed in our conduct toward our brethren of the human family; so that we may constantly regard them with feelings of pure benevolence, and

do unto them as we should wish them to do unto us. Let us go to rest this night at peace with all mankind, and with bosoms free from all envy, hatred, malice and uncharitableness; and grant that we may rise up in the morning with a firm resolution to imitate thee, according to the measure of our humble capacity, by doing good.

Hear, answer, forgive, and accept us, O Father in heaven, for thine infinite mercy's sake in Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

WEDNESDAY MORNING.

O THOU infinite and eternal Spirit, by whose power the world in which we live, and the countless worlds by which we are surrounded, were created from nothing; by whose wisdom they and all that they contain are constantly directed; by whose goodness they are preserved in order and filled with happiness and beauty; and without whose support they would all return to the nothing from which they came; we thy dependent offspring humbly adore that power which displays itself

so abundantly wherever we turn our eyes; we adore that wisdom which governs all things rightly, and we bless that goodness by which all things are blessed. We come to thee this morning with the grateful acknowledgment of our dependence on thy bounty and protection. By thee our daily returning wants are supplied; by thee our dwellings are defended; our blessings are preserved; our feet are kept from falling, our eyes from tears, and our souls from death.

We delight in contemplating our dependence upon thee. Weak and ignorant as we are, we rejoice to know and to feel that we are subjected to thine all wise control, and that we are surrounded by the presence of the omniscient and eternal God. And we thank and bless thee, O Father, for every opportunity which we enjoy of exercising and improving the immortal faculties and affections of our nature. We thank thee for the gospel of thy Son Jesus Christ; for the heavenly radiance which it has shed on the path of our duty, through the

gloom of affliction, and on the bed of death. We thank thee that it has enabled us to look beyond the bounds of mortality and time, and defy the power of change and death; and that it has promised to the faithful servants of God, and true disciples of Christ, those glorious rewards of a future life, which eye hath never seen, nor ear heard, nor the heart of man conceived.

All is from thee; all joy, all support, all improvement, all hope. O may we become worthy of thy mercies, by receiving them as from thee, and using them according to thy will; by renouncing and avoiding all that is evil, and following after and cleaving to all that is good; by living and dying in thy fear and love. And when we come to die, may we be able to look back on a life not uselessly spent, and forward to a blessed immortality.

Hear us, O Father, in heaven where thou dwellest, and accept us in the name of Jesus Christ our redeemer; as whose disciples we address thee, and through whom we ascribe

unto thee everlasting honours. *Amen.*

WEDNESDAY EVENING.

O GOD, the unchangeable and everlasting fountain of life, perfection, and happiness; we lift up our hearts unto thee, the greatest, wisest, and best of beings. Grant that we may increase in the knowledge of thee, day by day; that we may constantly attain more pure and worthy conceptions of thy nature and providence; that we may manifest a more becoming reverence for thy perfections, and a truer concern for thy honour and service.

We also pray thee, O God, to teach us the knowledge and the government of ourselves; may we keep our hearts with all diligence, amidst all the trials and changes of the world; in prosperity may we be humble, temperate, and charitable; in adversity may we be patient, and wholly resigned to thy will. Save us, O gracious God, from anger and malice, from revenge and uncharitableness, from pride and presumption, from the

snare of the wicked, and the fatal influence of every evil example ; give us prudence to direct our affairs, resolution to preserve our innocence, and wisdom and constancy to retain our integrity as long as we live. In whatever station thou art pleased to appoint our lot, and wherever we are, in public or in private, may it be our uniform and steady purpose to discharge our duty with fidelity ; and in that solemn day, when thou, supreme over all, shalt judge the world by Jesus Christ, may we appear with humble confidence and joy, and be admitted into thy glorious and everlasting kingdom.

O God, we implore thy blessing on all that is dear and valuable to us. We pray thee to bless our country, our rulers, our friends, the churches of Christ, the ministers of religion, the instructors of youth, the rising generation, and all the means of establishing, preserving, and diffusing the principles of liberty and virtue. Keep us this night by thine almighty power ; be always our defender, guide, and friend ; and to thee, the

infinite and eternal God, we will ascribe continually all glory, honour, and praise, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

THURSDAY MORNING.

O THOU great Creator, governor, and supporter of men ; thou dwellest in light, and art the father of lights, with whom is no variableness nor shadow of turning. Grateful for the care which thou hast exercised over us during the night past, we would cheerfully submit ourselves to thy guidance through the day upon which we have entered. Keep us in thy faith and fear, and secure us from every evil of soul and body. Impress on our hearts a solemn sense of thy universal presence. Preserve us from any snares and dangers to which we may be exposed, and especially from the sins which do most easily beset us. Prepare us for new occurrences, whether prosperous or adverse, and quicken us in the discharge of those duties which lie before us. We have been secured from harm another night, and we see in health the light of this morning.

Great is thy mercy and faithfulness. Let not continued peace and prosperity make us forgetful of thee, or weaken our minds or corrupt our integrity. Impressed with a grateful sense of thy watchful care, we desire to make thy will the law of our behaviour.

Thou prolongest our lives, that we may attain more and more to the true end of life. May this day witness some improvement in knowledge, piety, and virtue. May it witness our diligence in that occupation to which thou hast called us. We desire and purpose to keep consciences void of offence, and to abstain from every action offensive to the eye of divine purity; but the experience which we have had of our frailty makes us diffident of our strength. Our confidence is in thy power to strengthen our faith, invigorate our obedience, and cause us to run in the way of thy commandments. We implore thine aid, that we may walk before thee this day, and all the days of our lives. Smile on our endeavours after improvement and usefulness; ena-

ble us to make every day some progress in a holy life; teach us to feel the uncertainty and value of our days on earth; and when they shall be numbered and finished, receive us into the light and bliss of thy glorious presence, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

THURSDAY EVENING.

O GOD, the Father of mercies, the God of love, and of all consolation; we thy servants unite to present unto thee our unfeigned thanks, for all thy goodness and loving kindness to the children of men.

We thank thee, that thou hast created us in thine own image; endued us with social affections; implanted in our hearts a sense of good and evil; and called us to the fear and love of thee, the greatest and best of beings. We praise thee for our continual support, and for all the comforts of our lives. Thou givest us health and fruitful seasons, and fillest our hearts with food and gladness. Blessed be the Lord, even the God of our salvation, who

daily loadeth us with benefits.

Above all, we thank thee, for thy great mercy, in sending thy well beloved Son Jesus Christ into the world, to instruct us by his excellent doctrine; to guide us by his perfect example; and to fill us with the joyful hope of eternal life. Thou hast been mindful of us and blessed us; thou hast dealt bountifully with us, and done great things for us. We will bless thee at all times; thy praise shall be continually in our mouths.

We acknowledge before thee, O God, who rulest the children of men with wisdom and goodness, that we have not duly improved thy manifold mercies. Though thou hast nourished and brought us up as children, we have sinned against thee. We desire to forsake all our evil ways, and to return unto thee with our whole hearts; and we humbly beseech thee, who art slow to anger and ready to forgive, that thou wouldst pardon all our transgressions. O Lord, show thy mercy upon us, and grant us thy salvation.

Lead us by thy gracious hand in the path of our duty; and, in the time of temptation, let thy good Spirit be with us, to keep us from falling. May our minds be purified from all sinful affections; may falsehood and deceit have no place in our words; and, in all our ways, may we obey thy commandments; that being holy in thy sight, we may obtain thy favour, and may finally be received into thine everlasting kingdom.

We pray unto thee, O gracious God, in behalf of all our friends. Supply their wants out of the stores of thy bounty; let thy watchful providence evermore defend them from evil; and let thy goodness and mercy follow them all the days of their lives.

We address our united devotions unto thee, the giver of all good things, in the name and as the disciples of Jesus Christ; and now unto the blessed and only potentate, the King of kings, and Lord of lords, dwelling in light to which no man can approach, whom no man hath seen or can see, be honour and power everlasting. *Amen.*

FRIDAY MORNING.

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, in whom we live and move and have our being ; we, thy needy creatures, render thee our humble praises, for thy preservation of us from the beginning of our lives to this day. We thank thee for refreshing us with the slumbers, and guarding us from the dangers of the past night. For all thy mercies we bless and magnify thy glorious name ; humbly beseeching thee to accept this our morning sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving.

And since it is by thy mercy, O gracious Father, that another day is added to our lives, we here dedicate both our souls and our bodies to thee and thy service in a sober, righteous, and godly life ; in which resolution do thou, O merciful God, confirm and strengthen us ; that as we grow in age, we may grow in grace, and in the knowledge of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

But, O God, who knowest the weakness of our nature, and the manifold temptations which we daily

meet with, we humbly beseech thee to have compassion on our infirmities, and to give us the constant assistance of thy holy Spirit, that we may be effectually restrained from sin and excited to our duty. Imprint upon our hearts such a dread of thy judgments, and such a grateful sense of thy goodness to us, as may make us both afraid and ashamed to offend thee ; and keep in our minds a lively remembrance of that great day, in which we must give an account of our thoughts, words, and actions, and according to the works done in the body, be rewarded or punished, by him, whom thou hast appointed the judge of the quick and dead, thy Son Jesus Christ.

In particular, we implore thy grace and protection for the ensuing day. Keep us temperate in our meats and drinks, and diligent in our several callings. Grant us patience under any afflictions thou shalt see fit to lay on us, and minds always contented with our present condition. Give us grace to be just and upright in all our dealings ;

quiet and peaceable ; full of compassion ; and ready to do good unto all men, according to our abilities and opportunities. Direct us in all our ways, and prosper the works of our hands in the business of our several stations. Defend us from all dangers and adversities ; and be graciously pleased to take us and all things belonging to us under thy fatherly care and protection. These things, and whatever else thou shalt see necessary and convenient to us, we humbly beg in the name and as the disciples of Jesus Christ, our blessed Lord and Redeemer. *Amen.*

FRIDAY EVENING.

MOST merciful God, who art of purer eyes than to behold iniquity, and hast promised forgiveness to all those who confess and forsake their sins ; we come before thee this evening, in an humble sense of our unworthiness, acknowledging our transgressions of thy righteous laws. But, O gracious Father, who desirest not the death of a sinner, look upon us,

we beseech thee, in mercy, and forgive us the sins which we have committed against thee. Make us deeply sensible of the evil of all unrighteousness ; and work in us a hearty contrition for our faults and offences, that we may obtain forgiveness at thy hands, who art ever ready to receive the humble and penitent.

And lest, through our own frailty, or the temptations which encompass us, we be drawn into further sin, grant us the direction and assistance of thy holy Spirit. Reform whatever is amiss in the temper and disposition of our souls ; that no unclean thoughts, unlawful designs, or inordinate desires may rest there. Purge our hearts from envy, hatred, and malice ; that we may never suffer the sun to go down upon our wrath ; but may always retire to our rest, in peace, charity, and good will, with a conscience void of offence towards thee and towards man.

And accept, O Lord, our intercessions for all mankind. Let the light of thy gospel shine upon all nations ; and may as

many as have received it, live as becomes it. Be gracious unto thy church; and grant that every member of the same, in his vocation and ministry, may serve thee faithfully. Bless all in authority over us; and so rule their hearts and strengthen their hands, that they may punish wickedness and vice, and maintain thy true religion and virtue. Send down thy blessings, temporal, and spiritual, upon all our relations, friends, and neighbours. Reward all who have done us good, and pardon all those who have done or wish us evil, and give them repentance and better minds. Be merciful to all who are in any trouble; and of thine abundant goodness minister unto them according to their several necessities.

To our prayers, O Lord, we join our unfeigned thanks for all thy mercies; for our being, our reason, and all other endowments and faculties of soul and body; for our health, friends, food, and raiment, and all the other comforts and conveniencies of life. Above all we adore thy mercy in sending thy Son

into the world to redeem us from sin and death, and to show us the Father. We bless thee for thy patience with us; for the assistances of thy holy Spirit; for thy continual care and watchful providence over us through the whole course of our lives. We pray thee to continue thy blessings to us; and to give us grace to show our thankfulness in a sincere obedience to thy laws.

We beseech thee to protect us this night. Defend us from all dangers, and give us such refreshing sleep as may fit us for the duties of the following day. Make us ever mindful of the time when we shall lie down in the dust; and grant us grace always to live in such a state, that we may never be afraid to die; so that living and dying we may be thine, and thine for evermore. We ask all in the name of thy Son Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

SATURDAY MORNING.

O GOD, our Creator and heavenly Father, the giver of all good, upon whom we depend now and for ever; under an awful

sense of thy constant presence with us, we thy creatures and thy servants are assembled together, to thank thee for thine undeserved goodness to us at all times, and particularly to acknowledge the watchful care of thy providence, by which we have been preserved during the defenceless hours of the night, and brought in health and safety to the light of another day.

Thy mercies, O God, are renewed to us every morning. Let our gratitude and dutiful obedience to thee bear some proportion to thy favors, that we may be a family fearing thee, and glorifying thy name among men. We desire to set thee our God before us in all our ways, that thy blessing may constantly go along with us, and that we may never undertake any thing which we dare not beg of thee to prosper; but may always pursue what thou, the righteous Judge, approvest, and wilt finally reward and honour.

Assist us, gracious God, in the discharge of all social and relative duties. May it be our prevailing

aim to bear a nearer resemblance unto thee, the original of all perfection, and to proceed, after the example of Jesus Christ thy Son, in the practice of all goodness. By the expectation of a happy immortality, may our virtue be supported, and our peace secured; that we may live in a state of continual improvement, and preparation for that heavenly kingdom, into which nothing unholy or impure shall ever enter.

O God, to the direction of thy wise and unerring providence we do entirely commit ourselves. Safe under thy protection, and happy in thy favour, we would cheerfully follow where thou pleasest to conduct us. We desire only that portion of the good things of this life which thou seest to be fit for us, and would decline no sufferings which thou shalt appoint for the trial and improvement of our virtue. Be with us this day, and all our days. In health and in sickness, in life and in death, may we lift up our souls to thee, and make thy goodness alone our confidence and

joy ; and may we so pass through the changing scenes of the present world, that we may be prepared for the pure and unmixed happiness of thy glorious presence for evermore. Mercifully hear and accept us, O God, through thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

SATURDAY EVENING.

O THOU who alone art from everlasting, without beginning of days, or end of years ; we rejoice that amid the continual changes of this our uncertain life, we can look to thee, O God, who endurest for ever. Heaven and earth shall pass away, but thou remainest, and wilt never fail those who trust in thee, nor hide thy face from those who love thee.

Preserver of men, at the close of another day and week, we would render unto thee our sincere and humble thanks for all the mercies of thy providence, by which our lives have been supported and blest. We acknowledge with joy that it is thou alone who preservest us, and makest us to dwell in safety ; for

in thy hands alone our life and breath are, and thine are all our ways.

Forgive, we beseech thee, the transgressions of the past day, the past week, and of all past time. Whatever has been amiss in our conduct, or irregular in our dispositions, whatever we have done which we ought not to have done, or omitted which we ought to have performed, do thou, in thy great mercy, forgive. Knowing our frailty and danger from the past, may we in future take more careful heed to our steps, and walk more uprightly before thee. Quicken our consciences, and sanctify our hearts. Make us more pure, humble, and devout, more benevolent and useful ; and so teach us to number our days, that we may apply our hearts unto wisdom.

Hitherto thou hast helped and sustained us. Truly our hope is in thee, and under the shadow of thy wings will we put our trust. Grant us refreshment this night by sleep ; and may we arise in thy favour in the morning, and be fitted for the sacred duties of

the day. O thou who givest power to the faint, and to those who have no might increasest strength, give unto us strength to do and to bear thy whole will and pleasure. In thine everlasting arms support us; by thy mighty power defend us; let thy grace be sufficient for us, and thy goodness and mercy follow us all our days. We dedicate ourselves to thee as our God and guide through life, our support and comfort in death, and after death our everlasting portion and felicity. When the present succession of days and nights shall cease, graciously receive us to that state where we shall serve thee without intermission and without weariness, through the day of eternity.

We commend to thee our relatives and friends. We ask thy compassion for the distressed, thy mercy for the erring and guilty, thy blessing upon all men. Promote the cause of knowledge and religion in the earth; let the pure doctrines and practice of Christianity everywhere prevail, and the whole earth be filled with thy glory and praise.

Holy Watchman of thy

people, who dost never slumber nor sleep; the ever blessed God, who art able to do for us more exceedingly than we can ask or think; the Father almighty; the King eternal, immortal, and invisible; unto thee be all honour and glory, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

A PRAYER FOR MORNING OR EVENING.

O GOD, the Creator, Preserver and Benefactor of men, we approach thee in an humble sense of our dependence upon thee, and a deep conviction of our obligations to thee, who, both by day and by night, dost constantly sustain and defend us, and delight to do us good. May we regard thee as the chief good, and the knowledge and love of thee as the greatest of blessings. May we earnestly desire, and diligently seek, and happily find thee. Thou art our Maker. Root out from within us, we pray thee, all that is defiling and corrupting to our nature, and implant in us all holy dispositions and principles; that our souls may retain

thine image, and that we may appear in thy likeness, as thou didst create us. Thou art our Ruler and Governor. Reign in our hearts. Subdue and expel all rebellious passions; beat down the spirit of pride and haughtiness; turn away from us vanity and self-deceit; preserve us from envy, covetousness, wrath, hardness of heart, and contempt of thy word; and make us humble, and gentle, and kind, and ready at all times to do thy will and submit to thy righteous pleasure. Thou art our merciful and indulgent Father. O grant to thy children those best of gifts, a firm and right faith, a steadfast and well grounded hope, and a never failing charity. Thou art the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. Give us grace to receive him as our Saviour, and learn of him as our teacher, and follow him as our guide and example, and love him as the friend who died for us; that so we may be numbered among his true disciples, and become fellow heirs with him in thy heavenly kingdom. Help us to remember, and to imitate the

benevolence which filled his soul. May we consider mankind as our brethren, and be heartily disposed to relieve their miseries; to supply their wants; to comfort their sorrows; to redress their wrongs; to pardon those who have offended us; to love those who hate us; to do good unto all.

May we walk within our houses with perfect hearts. May we study to advance each other's happiness, and to quicken each other's piety. May every good and holy disposition be daily improving in our breasts, until we become fit for that happy kingdom where love and peace and joy for ever reign. Hear us in thy Son's name, for whom we bless thee, and through whom we ascribe unto thee all honour and glory for ever. *Amen.*

ANOTHER.

O GOD, our heavenly Father, we beseech thee to incline thine ear unto thy children, and favourably hear our prayer. We pray that thou wouldst guide and lead us by thy providence, and comfort us by

thy mercy, and protect us by thine almighty power. We submit to thee all our thoughts, words, actions and sufferings; and we desire to have thee always in our minds, to do all our works in thy name, and in thy strength to bear all calamity with patience. Give us grace that we may be attentive to our spiritual concerns, temperate in our enjoyments, vigilant in our conduct, and steadfast and immoveable in all good purposes. Dispose our hearts to admire and praise thy holiness; to hate all evil works; to love our neighbour, and to renounce the vanities of the world. Enable us to conduct ourselves with prudence in all transactions, and show courage in danger, fortitude in trial, submissiveness in adversity, and in prosperity an humble mind. Let thy grace illuminate our understandings, direct our wills, sanctify our bodies, and bless and save our souls. Make us diligent in curbing all irregular affections; zealous in imploring thy grace; careful in keeping thy commandments, and constant in working out our salvation.

Finally, O God, make us sensible how little is the world, how great thy heavens, how short time, and how long a blessed eternity. O that we may well prepare ourselves for death; that we may flee from the wrath to come, and obtain of thee everlasting life, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

PRAYER FOR A BEREAVED FAMILY.

O THOU eternal Lord our God, the Lord of life and death, who givest and who takest away, enable us all to say, with sincere and humble resignation, Thy name be blessed, and thy will be done. In all our troubles and adversities, whensoever they oppress us, we would come to thee, O Father, and put our whole trust and confidence in thee, and lay down the burden of our sorrows before thee, and look to thee alone for consolation and help; for we know that thou art a God of mercy and compassion, and that though clouds and darkness are round about thee, righteousness and judgment are the foundations of thy throne.

We desire to submit with all humility and patience to the recent afflictive dispensation of thy righteous providence. Be pleased to sanctify it to thy servants the members of this family. Teach us to turn this sorrow to our eternal good; and let the sense of our loss make us cleave more steadfastly to thee. Let no repining thoughts rise in our hearts, but help us to place our affections more strongly on those immoveable things which are above, and to resign unto thee all our thoughts and desires. By this chastisement may we be purified from sin, quickened in duty, mortified to the world, and raised above it. Send thy holy Spirit to abide with and comfort our hearts, and enable us to endure tribulation as becometh disciples of thy Son Jesus Christ.

Bind more closely together the surviving members of this family. Increase in us a tender and faithful affection. May we learn how to promote each other's happiness, and mitigate the sorrows which have befallen, or yet await us. Teach us to feel the

vanity of earthly things, to delight in thy word, to study thy will, to observe thy law, and to work out our own salvation; that when we go the way of all the earth, we may be comforted by thy presence, and admitted to that heavenly state where all tears shall be wiped from our eyes, and there shall be no more decay, nor sickness, nor death; which we ask in the name of thy Son Jesus Christ, the resurrection and the life, through whom to thee be rendered everlasting praises. *Amen.*

PRAYER FOR THE CHILDREN OF A FAMILY.

ALMIGHTY God, by whose gracious providence the successive generations of mankind are called into being, we implore thy fatherly blessing on the children of this family. To thy protection and guidance, to thy direction and disposal we humbly and earnestly recommend them. May they remember their Creator in the days of their youth. Impress on their tender minds that reverence of thee which is the beginning of wisdom; and give them

that understanding which shall incline them to keep thy commandments. Lead them by thy right hand in the path of duty, and preserve them amidst the temptations to which the young are particularly exposed, and amidst all the temptations of this present evil world. As they grow in years, may they grow in grace, and by a careful improvement of the talents committed to their trust, may they lay a foundation for their present comfort and eternal felicity.

Help us, O Lord, to train them up in thy fear. May we give them seasonable instructions, and set them good examples. Direct us in every part of their education; in the choice of their studies, employments, and stations of life, whereby they may be most happy in themselves, and most useful to society. Let a kind providence accompany them through life; may we have the comfort of seeing them behave wisely and well, and the hope that they will at last be received to the endless felicity of thy heavenly kingdom, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

A PRAYER FOR THE AGED.

GREAT God, and heavenly Father, look down with peculiar favour and kindness upon thine aged servants. Have compassion upon their infirmities, and help them in all their weaknesses, difficulties, and distresses. Cast them not away, O Lord, in their old age. Forsake them not when their strength faileth. Remember not against them former iniquities; but according to thy mercy remember them, for thy goodness' sake, O Lord. Give them heavenly wisdom. Pour abundance of thy grace upon them, that their hoary heads may be found in the way of righteousness, and their souls be precious in thy sight. O let goodness and mercy follow them the remainder of their days. Let their last days be their best days, and their last comforts their strongest and sweetest comforts. And, when heart and flesh and all their powers shall fail them, be thou, O God, the strength of their hearts, their support, and their portion, for ever. *Amen.*

END OF FAMILY PRAYERS.

FIRST MORNING SERVICE

FOR A FAMILY.

The following Anthem, principally selected from the Psalms, is to be said by the Head of the Family, or Reader, in alternate verses with the other Members of the Family.

BLESSED art thou, O Lord, our God, and the God of our fathers, who turnest the shadows of death into the morning, and renewest the face of the earth ;

Who scatterest the darkness by this return of light, and hast commanded night to give place to day ;

Who hast delivered us from the terror by night, and from the pestilence that walketh in darkness ;

Who makest the outgoings of the morning and of the evening to praise thee ;

For that we laid down

and slept, and rose up again, because thou, O Lord, didst make us to dwell in safety ;

For that we awaked, and beheld, and our sleep was sweet unto us.

Blot out, we pray thee, as a cloud, our transgressions, and as the thickness of the morning cloud, our sins.

Grant us to walk as children of the light and of the day.

O let us hear thy loving kindness betimes in the morning, for in thee is our trust.

Show thou us the way

that we should walk in,
for we lift up our souls
unto thee.

Now unto the king eternal,
immortal, invisible,
the only God ;

Be honour and glory,
through Jesus Christ, for
ever and ever. *Amen.*

*If a portion of Scripture
is to be read, let it be
preceded by the following
Sentences, said alternately
as before.*

BLESSED are they
who are undefiled in the
way, and walk in the law of
the Lord.

Blessed are they who
keep his testimonies, and
seek him with their whole
heart.

Early in the morning
do we cry unto thee, for
in thy word is our trust.

Let our prayer come
before thee, O Lord ;
give us understanding according
to thy word.

*Here shall the portion of
Scripture be read.*

*Then shall the Person who
conducts the Service
say ;*

The Lord be with you ;
Answer. And with thy
spirit.

Reader. Let us pray.

*Then shall he read either
of the following
Prayers, or make a
Prayer extempore.*

O GOD, whose light
again shines upon us, we
desire to unite with thy
whole family in heaven
and earth, to offer up to
thee, the eternal Fountain
of light, our morning adoration,
and pay our tribute of gratitude
and praise to thee our Preserver.
O shine into our hearts
with the light of truth, and
disperse the shades of error
and prejudice and sin.
Inspire us with the hopes
and comforts of true religion,
and implant within us thy
likeness, the image of our
Creator, in righteousness
and true holiness. Give us
clear and consoling views of
thy Providence, which so
mercifully regards us,
and our minutest concerns.
Warm our hearts with love
to thee ; with the love of
goodness, of purity, and of
all thy moral perfections ;
that by these our faith and
trust in thee may be increased
and strengthened, and that
we may rejoice that all

the different dispensations of our lives are in thy hand, the hand of our heavenly Father.

Enlighten our minds, O God, with bright views of immortality; and dispel from them the clouds of doubt and uncertainty. Encourage us in the faithful discharge of our duties. Guide us by thy counsel; support us in our journey by thy strength; hold us up by thy promises. Animate us with the patience and perseverance of our blessed Lord and master, who for the joy that was set before him, endured the cross, despised the shame, and is set down at the right hand of the throne of God. In his name we offer our prayers, and in his words conclude them.

Or this.

O LORD our God, who hast brought us out from the shades of night to see another day, assist and accept our morning devotions which we offer up to thee, who both by night and by day art our Guardian and Deliverer. We thank thee that thou

hast preserved us from the dangers of the past night, and we pray thee to continue thy goodness to us through the present day, and preserve us from all perils both of body and soul. We thank thee for all the time thou hast given us, and acknowledge that we have greatly wasted and misused it. May we do so no more. Make us each day to remember that every day is thy gift, to be used in thy service, and in doing the work of our salvation. Let the Sun of Righteousness arise upon our souls with healing in his wings. Make us children of the light and of the day, and show us the way wherein we should walk. Quicken our dulness in thy service. Release our hearts from the bondage of sin and the fetters of temptation, and so assist us in all our doings with thy most gracious favour, that when the few days of this our mortal life are ended, we may inherit that endless life which thou hast prepared for all who love and fear thee.

The blessings, which we ask for ourselves, we ask

for our dear friends, for our enemies, if we have them, and for the whole world of mankind, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Then shall the whole Family together say the Lord's Prayer.

OUR Father, who art in heaven, Hallowed be

thy name. Thy kingdom come; Thy will be done on earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, As we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, But deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, For ever and ever. *Amen.*

END OF THE FIRST MORNING SERVICE.

SECOND MORNING SERVICE

FOR A FAMILY.

The following Sentences are to be said alternately, as in the First Service, by the Reader and the Family.

THE Lord hath brought us safe to the beginning of this day; let us give him thanks for this his goodness, and for all his mercies and loving kindnesses to us and to all men.

Every day will we give

thanks unto thee, O Lord, and praise thy name for ever and ever.

Let all those who put their trust in thee rejoice; they shall ever be giving of thanks, because thou defendest them; they who love thy name shall be joyful in thee.

For thou, Lord, wilt give thy blessing unto thy people; and with thy favourable kindness wilt

thou defend them as with a shield.

Now unto the King eternal, immortal, invisible, the only God ;

Be honour and glory, through Jesus Christ, for ever, and ever. *Amen.*

If a portion of Scripture is to be read, let it be preceded by the following Sentences, said alternately as before.

THE heavens declare the glory of God, and the firmament sheweth his handy work.

Day unto day uttereth speech ; night unto night sheweth knowledge.

The law of the Lord is an undefiled law, converting the soul ; the testimony of the Lord is sure, and giveth wisdom unto the simple.

The statutes of the Lord are right, and rejoice the heart ; the commandment of the Lord is pure, and giveth light unto the eyes.

The word of the Lord is clean, and endureth for ever ; the judgments of the Lord are true, and righteous altogether. More to be desired are they than gold, yea, than much fine

gold ; sweeter also than honey, and the honeycomb.

Moreover by them are thy servants taught ; and in keeping of them there is great reward.

Here the portion of Scripture is to be read.

Then shall the Person who conducts the Service, say ;

LET us pray to God. Let us pray that we may live in his fear, and in love and charity with our neighbours ; that his holy Spirit may direct and rule our hearts, teaching us what to do and what to avoid ; that his grace may ever be with us, to support us in all dangers, and carry us through all temptations ; that the Lord may bless all our honest endeavours, and make us content with what his providence shall order for us ; and that we may continue his faithful servants this day, and all the days of our life.

Answer. Let our prayers and meditations be always acceptable in thy sight, O Lord, our strength and our Redeemer.

Reader. Let us pray.

Then shall the Person who conducts the Service, read either of the following Prayers, or make a Prayer extempore.

O MOST gracious and merciful God, by whom the world is governed and preserved, we give thee humble thanks for thy fatherly care over us, in bringing us to the light of another day. We gratefully acknowledge our dependence upon thee for all the necessities, conveniences, and comforts of our life; for all the means of our well-being here, and of our everlasting happiness hereafter. We give thee thanks for the light of thy Gospel, and the help of thy grace, and the support of thy promises, and all the blessings which thou hast vouchsafed unto us in thy Son Jesus Christ.

May we ever walk as in thy sight; and, fearing to offend thee, may we keep ourselves from all sin. Enable us to resist and overcome temptation; to follow the motions of thy good Spirit; to be true and just in our dealings; watchful over our thoughts, words and actions; diligent in our

business, and temperate in all things.

May thy blessing be upon our persons, our labours, our substance; upon all that belongs to us, and all who are dear to us.

Give us, gracious God, what is needful for us, and give us grace not to abuse thy favours. Give us, we beseech thee, contentment for ourselves, and benevolence for others. Give us, in this world, the knowledge of thy truth, and in the world to come, life everlasting. *Amen.*

Or this.

ALMIGHTY and eternal God, we the work of thy hands, and the subjects of thy government, sensible of thy goodness to us hitherto, prostrate ourselves before thee to implore thy mercy and protection for the time to come. We confess, O God, our ingratitude to thee, to whom we owe all that we have in this world, and all that we hope in the next. We ask thy pardon for our sins, and thy grace and powerful assistance, that we may not for the time to come hazard thy favour by our transgressions.

May the same good Providence that has watched over us for our good the past night, by preserving us from dangers, by refreshing us with sleep, by awakening us this morning with souls sensible of these blessings, may the same gracious God guard us this day from all evil and mischief, from all assaults of our spiritual enemies, from hardness of heart, and contempt of thy word and commandment. And seeing all men's labours are in vain without thy blessing, we beseech thee to bless every one of us in our several places and callings. Prosper thou the works of our hands upon us, and give us grace thankfully to accept, and soberly to use, whatever we shall this day receive from thee ; that we, owning thee for our benefactor, and using thy benefits according to thy pleasure, may continue to be the partakers of thy blessings.

Bless us at home and abroad. Bless the country in which we live, and its rulers and governors. Bless the church universal of thy Son, and all the ministers of the holy Gospel. Bless

all schools and seminaries of learning, and all instructors of youth. Preserve all who travel by sea and by land. Protect all orphans and widows, and all who suffer wrong. Give health and strength to the sick and weak, and joy and comfort to the sorrowful and afflicted.

We commend ourselves, and all belonging to us, to thee, our merciful Creator. Hear us also in behalf of our friends, our relations, our benefactors, and all who desire our prayers. We humbly ask for them the mercies which suit their several conditions and needs. We implore for them thy favour, thy peace, and life eternal.

And now to thee, O God, Father Almighty, we ascribe all honour and glory through Jesus Christ, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

Then shall the whole Family together say the Lord's Prayer.

OUR Father, who art in heaven, Hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come ; Thy will be done on earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our

daily bread, And forgive us our trespasses, As we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, But deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, For ever and ever. *Amen.*

END OF THE SECOND MORNING SERVICE.

FIRST EVENING SERVICE

FOR A FAMILY.

The following Anthem is to be said by the Reader and Family alternately, as in the preceding Services.

THE Lord hath commanded his loving kindness in the day time; and in the night season also our song shall be of him, and our prayer unto the God of our life.

As long as we live, will we magnify thee in this manner, and lift up our hands in thy name.

Let our prayer be set forth in thy sight as the incense; and let the lifting up of our hands be an evening sacrifice.

For thou art the por-

tion of our inheritance and of our cup, and thou shalt maintain our lot.

Behold, he who keepeth his people will neither slumber nor sleep. He is about our path, and about our bed, and beholdeth all our ways.

We will lay us down in peace, and take our rest, for it is thou, O Lord, only, who makest us to dwell in safety.

Now unto the King eternal, immortal, invisible, the only God;

Be honour and glory, through Jesus Christ, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

If a portion of Scripture is to be read, let it be

preceded by the following Sentences, said alternately as before.

THY word is a lamp unto our feet, and a light unto our path.

When thy word goeth forth, it giveth light and understanding unto the simple.

Our eyes anticipate the night watches, that we might be occupied in thy words.

Show the light of thy countenance upon thy servants, and teach us thy statutes.

Here the portion of Scripture is to be read.

Then shall the Person who conducts the Service say ;

The Lord be with you ;
Answer. And with thy spirit.

Reader. Let us pray.

Then shall he read either of the following Prayers, or make a Prayer extempore.

O ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, for all the blessings which we every day receive from

thy bounty ; for all the known, and all the unobserved favours, deliverances, visitations, and graces of thy holy Spirit, we bless thy good providence ; beseeching thee still to continue thy fatherly care over us, for we are weak and ignorant, and need thy constant protection and guidance.

God be merciful unto us, who have broken his laws ; abused his patience, wasted his time, sinned against his light, and resisted his good Spirit. Lighten our darkness, we beseech thee, O Lord, that we may be able to see the evil and danger of sin, and shun the snares of temptation, and walk with safety in the paths of pleasantness and peace. Forgive whatever we have done or thought amiss during the past day ; and give us grace that we may render ourselves more worthy of thy favour for the time to come. Let us be excited to serve thee, our heavenly Master, with fidelity, and finish our work with diligence, before that night overtakes us, wherein no man can work.

O thou who never slumberest nor sleepest, but both by night and day dost watch over thy people, keep and defend us, we pray thee, this night. Let the shades which encompass us be as the shadow of thy wings. May our sleep be quiet and refreshing; and may we rise in the morning prepared and invigorated to serve thee in the duties of the day. May all our nights on earth be hallowed by thy blessing, and all our days devoted to thy service; so that when we have slept the sleep of the grave, we may awake to the resurrection of the just.

Hear us, we beseech thee, in thy Son's name, as whose disciples we approach thee, our Father, and ascribe unto thee all honour and glory for ever. *Amen.*

Or this.

OUR Father in heaven, thy children kneel before the throne of thy mercy, and humbly thank thee for all the blessings of this day, and for the privilege which we now enjoy of

holding communion with thee. Let our evening sacrifice be a pure and acceptable service. While we praise thee with our lips, may reverence and gratitude fill our hearts. May our whole conduct also be influenced by our devotions, and may we live to love and serve, as we have learned to adore thee.

O God, if this day we have fallen into any sin; if we have weakly yielded to any temptation; if we have been angry without cause, or beyond bounds; if we have been uncharitable, unjust, undutiful, or in any way unmindful of thee and thy laws, we beseech thee to forgive us in thy great mercy, and grant us true repentance, that we may lie down this night in peace with the world, with ourselves, and with thee. And we pray thee, O Father, to watch over us this night, and protect us from all evil, and give to our eyes refreshing slumbers, so that we may rise in the morning with renewed power to serve thee. If we are to rise no more in this world, grant that we may wake, in the next, to

life immortal, and the light of thy countenance for evermore.

We pray thee, also, to protect the whole sleeping world through the hours of darkness. And be graciously with those, who, by land or by sea, must wake and watch. Soothe the pains of the sick ; speak pardon and peace to sleepless consciences ; guide the traveller on his way ; preserve the mariner from the fury of the tempest, and direct him through the paths of the deep. Be a Father to the fatherless ; a Deliverer to the oppressed ; a Friend to all who are under neglect or contempt, or in want ; and especially to those who are persecuted for conscience and right-

eousness' sake. Be kind to all our friends and to all our enemies ; to all who have prayed for us, and to all who have desired that we should pray for them. Mercifully, O God, Father Almighty, hear their prayers, and ours, which we offer in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

Then shall the whole Family say the following Benediction, and the Service may be closed with a Hymn.

THE Lord bless us and keep us ; The Lord lift up the light of his countenance upon us, And give us peace, Now and evermore. *Amen.*

END OF THE FIRST EVENING SERVICE.

SECOND EVENING SERVICE

FOR A FAMILY.

The following Anthem is to be said alternately, as in the preceding Services.

EXCEPT the Lord

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build the house, their labour is but lost who build it.

Except the Lord keep the city, the watchman waketh but in vain.

We will lift up our eyes
unto the hills from whence
cometh our help.

Our help cometh even
from the Lord, who hath
made heaven and earth.

He will not suffer thy
foot to be moved; and he
who keepeth thee will not
sleep.

Behold he who keepeth
Israel shall neither slumber
nor sleep.

The Lord himself is
thy keeper; the Lord is
thy defence upon thy right
hand.

So that the sun shall
not smite thee by day, neither
the moon by night.

The Lord shall preserve
thee from all evil; yea it is
even he who shall keep
thy soul.

The Lord shall preserve
thy going out and thy coming
in, from this time forth
for evermore.

Now unto the King eternal,
immortal, invisible, the
only God;

Be honour and glory,
through Jesus Christ, for
ever and ever. *Amen.*

*If a portion of Scripture
is to be read, let it
be preceded by the following
Sentences, said
alternately as before.*

Show us thy ways, O
Lord, and teach us thy
paths.

Lead us forth in thy
truth and teach us; for
thou art the God of our
salvation; in thee hath been
our hope all the day
long.

Gracious and righteous
is the Lord, therefore will
he teach sinners in the
way.

All the paths of the
Lord are mercy and truth,
unto such as keep his
covenant and his testimo-
nies.

*Here the portion of Scrip-
ture is to be read.*

*Then shall the Person
who conducts the Ser-
vice say;*

BY the favour of God,
we are come to the even-
ing of this day; and we
are so much nearer the end
of our mortal life. Let
us seriously consider this,
and resolve to prepare our-
selves for our change by
living righteously and god-
ly in this present world.
Let us pray to God to for-
give us our sins, and grant
us true repentance, and
strengthen our good resolu-
tions, and enable us, as we

draw nearer to the grave, to draw nearer to himself, and to his heavenly kingdom.

Answer. O thou who hearest prayer, unto thee will we lift up our souls.

Reader. Let us pray.

Then shall be read either of the following Prayers, or make a Prayer extempore.

O GOD, the light of every heart that sees thee, the life of every soul that loves thee, the strength of every mind that seeks thee; we seek thee now, O Father, thy children seek thee, and pray that thou wouldst enlighten our darkness, sustain our faintings, save us from the death of sin, and grant us life eternal. We are not worthy that thou shouldst come under our roof; but come, O Lord, and make us worthy; enter into our hearts, speak peace unto this house, and abide with us always. Let us be sheltered under the shadow of thy wings from the storms of worldly cares; and when the darkness gathers, and the winds blow, and the waves swell, be thou our harbour and secure repose.

Keep us continually, O God, in thy faith and fear. May we be followers of that which is good, and followers of thy Son Jesus Christ, obeying his precepts, and imitating his example. Let our bodies be in constant subjection to our souls, our senses to our reason, and our reason to thy divine and gracious instruction; that so, both outwardly and inwardly, we may be fully disposed to do thy will.

May we, thy children, know from our experience how good and how pleasant a thing it is to dwell together in unity. May we be kind and faithful to each other, and to all with whom we are in any way connected. And may we be always sensible of our relationship to thee, our heavenly Father; and feel that whether sleeping or waking we are still with thee. Keep and defend us this night. Grant unto us quiet and restoring slumbers. Bring us to the light of another morning in safety; and when our days and nights on earth are numbered and finished, grant that we may behold each other in the light of eternal day. And this we ask in th

name of Jesus Christ, our blessed Lord and Redeemer. *Amen.*

Or this.

WE humbly thank thee, merciful Father, for thy goodness in conducting us to the close of this day, and for all thy mercies from day to day bestowed upon us. Add this to all thy favours, we beseech thee, that we may never forget to be thankful, but may constantly acknowledge thee as the source of all our blessings, and praise thee not only with our lips but in our lives. Write thy law upon our hearts, that all our desires, words and actions may be conformable to thy holy will. Remembering thy mercies hitherto vouchsafed to us, we do entirely trust thee for the time to come. For this only we are anxious, and do earnestly pray, that we may all our days serve and please thee in such a constant practice of piety and devotion, of righteousness and mercy, of temperance, meekness, patience, truth and fidelity, as may adorn the religion and name of our Lord and Master.

Accept, O God, as the testimony of our love and charity, our hearty intercessions for all mankind. Let the glorious light of thy Gospel shine upon all nations; and grant that all who have already received it, may live as becomes it.

O Lord, continue thy gracious protection to us this night. Into thy hands we commend ourselves, our souls and bodies, and all things belonging to us. And make us mindful, we pray thee, of that time when we shall lie down in the dust; and grant us grace always to live in such a state, that we may never be afraid or unfit to die. And now to thee, our God and Father, we ascribe all honour and glory, through Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

Then shall the whole Family say the following Benediction, and the Service may be closed with a Hymn.

THE Lord bless us and keep us; The Lord lift up the light of his countenance upon us, And give us peace, Now and evermore. *Amen.*

END OF THE SECOND EVENING SERVICE.

PETITIONS AND THANKSGIVINGS

TO BE INTRODUCED INTO THE PRECEDING FORMS OF
PRAYER, AS OCCASION REQUIRES.

FOR SUNDAY MORNING.

BE graciously present with all who this day meet to serve thee ; bless the labours of all those who watch for souls ; and give us all grace to hear with attention, to receive the word with meekness, and to serve the Lord with gladness. Teach us all things necessary to salvation ; enable us to understand and remember the sacred truths delivered to us, with full purpose of living accordingly, that our conversation may be holy, and our end everlasting life.

ANOTHER.

WE thank thee for the morning light of this day of

rest, and for all the spiritual privileges which it brings with it. May we have rest and refreshment to our souls. May we read, and hear, and meditate with profit, and lift up our hearts to thee in prayer and praise with sincere devotion. And grant, most merciful God, that we may so improve all our sacred opportunities, that we fail not of a part in thine eternal rest, and in the hymns of angels and blessed spirits in the world to come.

FOR SUNDAY EVENING.

GLORY be to thy name for the especial blessings which this sacred day has brought to us. Pardon us, if in any manner we have abused its privileges.

Cause the truths which we have heard to sink deep into our hearts, and bring forth in us the fruits of a holy and religious life, a peaceful and blessed death, and a glorious resurrection.

ANOTHER.

BLESSED be God, the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who hath vouchsafed to us the rest and the instruction of this Christian Sabbath. Blessed be God for the means of happiness and improvement, which have been offered this day to us and our fellow Christians. Make us mindful, we pray thee, of our duty ; that as we often hear how we ought to walk and to please God, we may continue to do so unto our lives' end.

A CONFESSION.

MOST gracious and merciful God, we humble ourselves before thee in a deep sense of our unworthiness. We acknowledge that we have not served thee with that purity of intention, that sincerity of heart, that fervency of spirit, that zeal for thy

glory, that care, and diligence, and constancy that we ought to have done. Forgive, O Lord, our sins of ignorance and infirmity ; but especially all our wilful transgressions of thy laws, the impurity of our hearts and thoughts, and every sinful practice and habit, of what kind soever. Work in us a hearty contrition for sin, and help us to live more worthily for the time to come ; so that we may secure thy favour, and find eternal life.

INTERCESSION FOR CHILDREN.

O GOD, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, bless the children of this household with healthful bodies, and understanding souls, and sanctified hearts, that they may remember their Creator all their days. Let thy grace preserve them from the temptations of the world ; and may we never be wanting in any part of our duty to them, but instruct them in the faith and duties of a christian life, and convince them of their faults, and correct them in reason and love. Be thou, O God,

their Father and portion, in this world, and in the world to come.

may all meet together at last in the house of our Heavenly Father.

ANOTHER.

OUR Heavenly Father, we beseech thee to be a Father to our children. Take them into the arms of thy love. Strengthen them in the path of duty, and when they fall, raise them up again. Wherever they are, or may go, there be thou with them. Guide them; teach them; defend, pardon, and save them.

ANOTHER.

WE humbly and earnestly look to thee, O God, for a blessing, a plenteous blessing on our dear children. Grant them thy best gifts. Grant them health, and strength, and understanding. Grant them, above all, virtue, holiness, good dispositions, the knowledge and love of thee, and of thy Son Jesus Christ. Help us to do all our duty to them, and help them to do their duty to us. Lead them and guard them through life; be with them in death; and grant that we

INTERCESSION FOR BENEFACTORS.

ALMIGHTY God, fountain of all goodness and all excellency; extend thine abundant favour and loving kindness to all our friends and benefactors. Reward them for all the good which from thy merciful providence they have conveyed unto us. Let the light of thy countenance shine upon them, and never let them come into any affliction or sadness, but such as may be an instrument of thy glory, and their eternal comfort. Forgive them all their sins. Preserve them from spiritual dangers. Give supply to all their needs; guarding their persons; sanctifying their hearts; and leading them in the way of righteousness, by the waters of comfort, to the land of eternal rest and glory.

FOR FRIENDS.

O LORD, graciously accept our prayers for all our kindred and friends.

Do good unto them all. To those who err, show thy truth; and those who seek it, keep from error. To those who do amiss, give grace to do better; and those who do well, continue in well doing. To those who are afflicted, give comfort and deliverance; to those who prosper, humility and temperance. Bless the sick with health; and keep the healthy from sickness. Supply those who are in want; and let those who want not, give supply. To all grant thy grace, O God, and show thy mercy. Let love bind us one to another, and religion knit us all to thee; that however we suffer or scatter on earth, we may live and be in joy together, in the felicity of Heaven.

ON A JOURNEY.

O THOU who art everywhere present, and everywhere and always the same merciful and protecting God, protect us, we beseech thee, in the house and by the way. Save us from danger, from violence, and from sickness. May our way be pleasant to our feet

and improving to our minds and souls. Grant to us a safe arrival at home. Bless and protect those whom we have left behind us. After the journey of life is over, grant that we may all arrive safely in that blessed country, where there is no weariness, nor peril, nor parting.

ON A VOYAGE.

O THOU who art the confidence of those who are abroad upon the sea, protect us, we beseech thee, in this our voyage, and preserve us from all its dangers. But especially grant unto us a sure and steadfast trust in thee. Whatever changes may come over the deep, and whatever foes or perils we may encounter, let us know and feel that thou art near us, and that no real evil can befall us while we are with thee. Bring us to our desired haven, if it be thy will, and to our friends, in safety and peace. When the sea of life is past, and its storms are spent, O then, merciful God, land us on the calm and happy shore of thy heavenly kingdom.

**AFTER RETURNING FROM
A JOURNEY OR VOYAGE.**

WE thank thee, O God, merciful Father, that through thy great goodness we are permitted to meet again around our own domestic altar. For thy protecting care of us, while we were away, and for this our safe return, we praise and bless thee. For all the comforts, pleasures and duties of this our earthly home, we devoutly thank thee. But we know that we are strangers with thee, and sojourners, as all our fathers were; that our days on the earth are as a shadow, and here there is no abiding. O be thou with us, to lead and uphold us through the remainder of our pilgrimage, and at last receive us to our home in thine eternal heavens.

FOR A NEW YEAR.

BLESSED be God, who has brought us safe to the beginning of another year. Make us sensible, O thou eternal and holy One, how short and uncertain is our mortal life. Pardon our misspent time, and make us henceforth *careful to redeem it.* Grant

that we may begin this new year with new resolutions of serving thee more faithfully. Make us wise unto salvation; that we may consider in this our day the things that belong unto our peace; and that we may pass the time of our sojourning here in thy fear and love; and be ready to depart hence, whenever thou shalt say unto us, Return, ye children of men.

FOR A SICK CHILD.

HEAVENLY Father, we beseech thee to pity the troubles of the child whom thou hast visited with illness, and pity our sorrows, who are afflicted for it. Ease it of its pains, and strengthen it in its weakness. Raise it up again, if it shall please thee, to grow in years and stature, in wisdom and virtue; and thereby to comfort us, and glorify thee. We believe that thou knowest best what is fit both for it, and for us, and wilt do what is fit for both; and therefore we leave it to thy wise disposal. But let it be thine, O Lord, in life or death; and either preserve it to be thy true and faithful servant on

earth, or take it to the blessedness of thy children in the kingdom of heaven.

FOR A SICK PERSON.

LOOK graciously, O God, on thy servant, whom thou hast brought low with illness. Grant unto *him* a strong sense of *his* entire dependence upon thee; that whether the means used for *his* relief succeed, *he* may ascribe the glory to thee alone, or whether thou thinkest fit to deny them their intended effects, *he* may humble himself under thy mighty hand, and bear the rod, knowing who hath appointed it. We pray thee to preserve thy servant to us, for *he* is dear to us. Nevertheless, not our will, but thine be done. If it be thy will that *he* should live, may *his* whole life praise thee. If *his* sickness is unto death, may *his* soul be prepared to meet thee, and our souls lie resigned at thy feet.

IN BEREAVEMENT.

SANCTIFY to thy servants, O God, the loss of one of our number by death. Look with pity upon our sorrows; and

grant that the affliction which it has pleased thee to bring upon us, may awaken our consciences, and soften our hearts, and impress upon us such convictions of thy holiness and power, that we may place in thee our only felicity, and strive to please thee in all our ways. And give us grace constantly to look forward to that life which is beyond death, and over which death has no power, revealed to us by thy dear Son Jesus Christ.

IN ANY AFFLICTION.

MERCIFULLY regard us, O Lord, in our present trouble, and make us glad according to the days wherein thou hast afflicted us. Strengthen us to bear the cross which is laid upon us. Give us grace to look to the example of our blessed Master, who, for the joy which was set before him, endured a heavier cross than ours. By the sadness of our countenances may our hearts be made better; and may we so improve thine afflictive dispensations, that they may all tend to our final happiness and glory.

A SHORT SERVICE

FOR A BIBLE CLASS, OR SUNDAY SCHOOL.

*The following Sentences
are to be said alternately
by the Instructor and the
Pupils.*

Ins. WHEREWITHAL
shall the young cleanse
their way ?

P. By taking heed
thereto, according to God's
word.

Ins. Teach them, O
Lord, the way of thy sta-
tutes ;

P. And we shall keep it
unto the end.

Ins. Give them under-
standing, and they shall
keep thy law ;

P. Yea, we shall keep
it with our whole heart.

Ins. O turn away their
eyes, lest they behold vani-
ty ;

P. And quicken thou us
in thy way.

Ins. The earth, O Lord,
is full of thy mercy ;

P. O teach us thy sta-
tutes.

Ins. Thou art good, and
doest good ;

P. O teach us thy sta-
tutes.

Ins. Thy testimonies
have we claimed as our
heritage forever ; and why ?

P. They are the very
joy of our hearts.

Ins. Our hands also
will we lift up unto thy
commandments, which we
have loved ;

P. And our study shall
be in thy statutes.

Ins. Let us pray.

*Then shall the Instructor
say the following Prayer.*

O GOD, who art the

source of light, and fountain of all wisdom, help thy young servants, we pray thee, in acquiring a right knowledge of thee and of thy holy will and word. Dispose their hearts to the love of truth, and their minds to the attainment of all good learning. Assist them to search the Scriptures, and to find in them eternal life. Lead them to their Saviour, and incline them to reverence, imitate and obey him. May they learn of him, who was meek and lowly in heart; and so learn of him, that they may finally live and reign with him, in glory and joy everlasting. This we humbly ask in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Then shall he say,

O LORD, thy word endureth forever in heaven; thy truth also remaineth from one generation to another.

P. Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep thy law.

Ans. The righteousness of thy testimonies is everlasting; O grant us understanding, and we shall live.

P. Lord, have mercy upon us, and write all thy laws in our hearts, we beseech thee.

Then shall all the People say the Lord's Prayer.

OUR Father, who art in heaven, Hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come; Thy will be done on earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, And forgive us our trespasses, As we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, But deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, For ever and ever. *Amen.*

END OF SERVICES.

A CATECHISM

FOR

THE INSTRUCTION OF CHILDREN.

PART I.

Question. Can you tell me, child, who made you?

Answer. God made me and all things.

Q. For what did God make you?

A. To be good and happy.

Q. What is it to be good?

A. To love and obey my parents, to speak the truth always, and to be just and kind to all persons.

Q. Can God know whether you be good or not?

A. Yes; for though we cannot see God, yet he sees us, wherever we are, by night as well as by day.

Q. What will God do for you, if you be good?

A. He will love me, and make me happy.

Q. Can you do any thing for God, who is so good to you?

A. I can only love him, obey him, and be thankful to him; I can do nothing for him.

Q. Can you speak to God?

A. Yes; he has bid us to pray to him for every thing which is fit for us, and he is always ready to hear us.

Q. In what manner should you pray to God?

A. Our Saviour, Jesus Christ, has given us a form

of prayer, called the Lord's Prayer.

Q. Repeat the Lord's Prayer.

A. Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

Q. What will God do to those who are not good?

A. He will punish them.

Q. Is God able to punish those who are not good?

A. Yes; he who made all things can do all things; he can take away all our friends, and every thing which he has given us; and he can make us die, whenever he pleases.

Q. After you die, shall you live again?

A. Yes; God will raise us from the dead, and if we be good, we shall die no more.

Q. Where shall you

live again, if you have been good?

A. If I have been good, I shall go to heaven, where I shall be very happy for ever.

Q. What shall become of the wicked, when they die?

A. They shall meet with their just punishment.

Q. When you do any thing which is wrong, should you not be afraid that God, who sees you, will punish you?

A. Yes; but he has promised to forgive us, if we be sorry for our sins, and endeavour to sin no more.

Q. Who has told us, that God will forgive us, if we repent of our sins, and endeavour to sin no more?

A. Many persons by whom God spake, and particularly Jesus Christ.

Q. Who was Jesus Christ?

A. The well beloved Son of God, whom the Father sent to teach men their duty, and to persuade and encourage them to practise it.

Q. Where do we learn what we know concerning

Christ, and what he did, taught, and suffered for the good of men?

A. In the bible, which we should diligently read and study, for our improvement in knowledge and goodness, in order to fit us for heaven.

Q. Is there any form of words in which Christians express the principal articles of their belief?

A. Yes; the Apostles' Creed, which was composed in the first ages of Christianity, is such a form.

Q. Repeat the Apostles' Creed.

A. I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth;

And in Jesus Christ, his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the holy Ghost; born of the Virgin Mary; suffered under Pontius Pilate; was crucified, dead, and buried; the third day he arose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven; and sitteth at the right hand of God, the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the holy Ghost; the forgiveness of

sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

PART II.

Q. Does the bible inform us what God himself is?

A. Yes; it teaches us that he is a being who had no beginning, and that he will have no end; that he is almighty, perfectly wise, and infinitely good; that he is every where present; and that he never changes in his nature or disposition.

Q. What does God require of us, in order to live and die in his favour?

A. All that God requires of us is comprehended in these two precepts; Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart; and thy neighbour as thyself.

Q. In what manner must we express our love to God?

A. By a grateful sense of his goodness to us; by a constant care to do his will; and by an entire and cheerful submission to all the dispensations of his providence.

Q. How must we ex-

press our love to our fellow men?

A. By doing to others, as we should think it right in them to do to us in the same circumstances.

Q. By what methods must we cherish our love to God, and increase our confidence in him?

A. We must frequently consider the benefits he confers upon us. We must also address ourselves to him in prayer, thanking him for the mercies he bestows upon us, confessing our sins before him, and asking of him whatever he knows to be needful and good for us.

Q. How shall we bring ourselves into the best disposition for performing our duty to God and man?

A. By a proper government of our passions, according to the dictates of reason and conscience; by living in temperance and chastity; and never indulging a proud, malicious, or selfish temper.

Q. What should we do, when persons affront and injure us?

A. We should not return evil for evil; and if they repent, we must forgive them, as we hope that

God will forgive us our offences against him.

Q. In what manner should we treat the inferior animals?

A. We should treat them with tenderness and humanity; and never torment them or destroy their lives to make ourselves sport; because they are the creatures of God, and because God has commanded us to be merciful unto them.

Q. Has God any where delivered distinct directions, concerning the several branches of our duty to him and to our neighbour?

A. Yes, in the ten commandments, which he delivered to the children of Israel from Mount Sinai.

Q. Which is the first commandment?

A. Thou shalt have no other gods but me.

Q. Which is the second commandment?

A. Thou shalt not make to thyself any graven image, nor the likeness of any thing that is in heaven above, or in the earth beneath, or in the water under the earth; thou shalt not bow down to them, nor

worship them ; for I, the Lord thy God, am a jealous God, and visit the sins of the fathers upon the children, unto the third and fourth generation of those who hate me ; and show mercy unto thousands of those who love me, and keep my commandments.

Q. Which is the third commandment ?

A. Thou shalt not take the name of the Lord thy God in vain ; for the Lord will not hold him guiltless who taketh his name in vain.

Q. Which is the fourth commandment ?

A. Remember, that thou keep holy the sabbath day. Six days shalt thou labour, and do all that thou hast to do ; but the seventh day is the sabbath of the Lord thy God. In it thou shalt do no manner of work, thou, and thy son, and thy daughter ; thy man servant, and thy maid servant ; thy cattle, and the stranger who is within thy gates. For in six days the Lord made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that in them is, and rested the seventh day ; wherefore

the Lord blessed the seventh day, and hallowed it.

Q. Which is the fifth commandment ?

A. Honour thy father and thy mother ; that thy days may be long in the land, which the Lord thy God giveth thee.

Q. Which is the sixth commandment ?

A. Thou shalt do no murder.

Q. Which is the seventh commandment ?

A. Thou shalt not commit adultery.

Q. Which is the eighth commandment ?

A. Thou shalt not steal.

Q. Which is the ninth commandment ?

A. Thou shalt not bear false witness against thy neighbour.

Q. Which is the tenth commandment ?

A. Thou shalt not covet thy neighbour's house ; thou shalt not covet thy neighbour's wife ; nor his servant, nor his maid, nor his ox, nor his ass, nor any thing that is his.

Q. What are those principles which most effectually lead to the observance of these, and all

other of God's commandments?

A. A high reverence of God, and a sincere good will to our fellow creatures, joined with a just regard to our own real interest.

Q. What is the best method we can take, to guard ourselves from all vice and wickedness?

A. By being careful not to indulge sinful thoughts; and by correcting every thing which is amiss in the beginning, before we have become accustomed to it, and have formed a habit which cannot easily be broken; particularly by avoiding the company of wicked persons, who would soon make us like themselves? and by being, in a more especial manner, upon our guard against those vices, to which our situation and circumstances make us peculiarly prone.

Q. Is any man able to fulfil all the commands of God, so as to live entirely without sin?

A. No. Our merciful God and Father knows that we are not able to do this, and therefore doth not expect it from us. He

only requires that we repent of the sins we commit, and endeavour to live better lives for the future.

Q. What should a sense of our frailty and proneness to sin teach us?

A. Humility and watchfulness, and earnestness in our prayers to God, to enable us to resist temptation, and to strengthen and confirm our good dispositions.

Q. Did Christ appoint any outward ordinances as means of promoting his religion?

A. He commanded his disciples to go and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son; and of the holy Ghost; and he also commanded them to eat bread and drink wine in remembrance of him. This rite is called the Lord's Supper.

Q. What is the meaning of baptism?

A. The washing of water in baptism probably represents the purity of heart and life, required from all who become the disciples of Christ.

Q. What is the nature and use of the Lord's supper?

A. By eating bread and drinking wine in remembrance of Christ, we keep alive the memory of his death and resurrection; we acknowledge ourselves to be Christians; we cherish a grateful sense of the blessings of the gospel of Christ; and strengthen our resolutions to live as becomes his disciples.

Q. Had Christ no particular reward on account of what he did and suffered for the good of men?

A. Because he humbled himself to death, God has highly exalted him, and made him head over all things to his church; and at the end of the world he

will come to judge the living and the dead. For this hope which was set before him, he endured the cross, and despised the shame of that ignominious death.

Q. What do the scriptures say concerning the day of judgment?

A. That Christ will come in the clouds of heaven with power and great glory, when every eye shall see him; that he will separate the wicked from the good; that he will send the wicked into a place of punishment, and take the righteous to a place of happiness, where they shall live for ever with himself.

H Y M N S

FOR

DOMESTIC AND PRIVATE USE.

MORNING AND EVENING.

1. C. M. WATTS.

A Morning Song.

- 1 ONCE more, my soul, the rising day
Salutes my waking eyes,
Once more, my voice, thy tribute pay
To him who rules the skies.
- 2 Night unto night his name repeats,
The day renews the sound,
Wide as the heaven, on which he sits,
To turn the seasons round.
- 3 'Tis he supports my feeble frame ;
My tongue shall speak his praise :
My sins would rouse his wrath to flame,
And yet his wrath delays.
- 4 Dear God, let all my hours be thine,
Whilst I enjoy the light ;
Then shall my sun in smiles decline,
And bring a pleasant night.

2. C. M. DRENNAN.

Morning Prayer.

- 1 To thee let my first offerings rise,
Whose sun creates my day,
Swift as his gladdening influence flies,
And spotless as his ray.

2 This day thy favouring hand be nigh,
 So oft vouchsafed before ;
 Still may it lead, protect, supply,
 And I that hand adore.

3 If bright or cloudy scenes await,
 Some profit let me gain ;
 That heaven nor high, nor low estate,
 May send to me in vain.

4 Be this and every future day,
 Still wiser than the past ;
 That from the whole of life's survey,
 I may find peace at last.

3. C. M. CHRISTIAN POET.

Morning Praise.

1 My God was with me all this night,
 And gave me sweet repose ;
 My God did watch, even whilst I slept,
 Or I had never rose.

2 Sweet rest hath gained that strength to me,
 Which labour did devour ;
 My body was in weakness sown,
 But it is raised in power.

3 Lord, for the mercies of the night,
 My humble thanks I pay ;
 And unto thee I dedicate
 The first fruits of the day.

4 Let this day praise thee, O my God,
 And so let all my days ;
 And O let mine eternal day
 Be thine eternal praise.

4. L. M. PIERPONT.

Morning Hymn. For a Child.

1 O God, I thank thee that the night
 In peace and rest hath passed away ;
 And that I see, in this fair light,
 My father's smile that makes it day.

2 Be thou my guide, and let me live
 As under thine all seeing eye ;
 Supply my wants, my sins forgive ;
 And make me happy when I die.

5. C. M. DODDRIDGE.

Secret Prayer. Morning or Evening.

- 1 FATHER divine, thy piercing eye
Shoots through the darkest night ;
In deep retirement thou art nigh,
With heart discerning sight.
- 2 There shall that piercing eye survey
My duteous homage paid,
With every morning's dawning ray,
And every evening's shade.
- 3 O may thy own celestial fire
The incense still inflame,
While my warm vows to thee aspire
Through my Redeemer's name.
- 4 So shall the visits of thy love
My soul in secret bless ;
So shalt thou deign in worlds above
Thy suppliant to confess.

6. L. M. PARNELL.

Evening Hymn.

- 1 LORD, as the evening shades arise,
And chase the twilight from the skies,
Thy wondrous bounty may we find,
And share it with a grateful mind.
- 2 O make our weary members blest,
With sweet refreshment in their rest,
And in the hours of darkness spread
Thy guardian arms around our head.
- 3 Upon our knees, as here we bow,
We pray the Lord of glory now
To fill our breasts, lest deadly sin
Should cause a darker night within.
- 4 If thoughts on thee our souls employ
E'en darkness will afford us joy ;
Till thou shalt call, and we shall soar,
And part with darkness evermore.

7. C. M. WATTS.

An Evening Psalm.

- 1 LORD, thou wilt hear me when I pray,
I am forever thine ;

I fear before thee all the day,
Nor would I dare to sin.

2 And while I rest my weary head,
From cares and business free,
Tis sweet conversing on my bed
With my own heart and thee.

3 I pay this evening sacrifice ;
And when my work is done,
Great God, my faith and hope relies
Upon thy grace alone.

4 Thus with my thoughts composed to peace,
I'll give mine eyes to sleep ;
Thy hand in safety keeps my days,
And will my slumbers keep.

8. 7s M. ANONYMOUS.

Evening Hymn.

1 MIGHTY God ! another day
Me hath sped along my way ;
Nearer to my grave I've come,
Nearer to my endless home.

2 Thanks for life's extended length,
For continued health and strength,
Food and raiment, sun and air,
Still provided by thy care ;

3 Powers of soul and body still
Guarded from each threatening ill,
Friends to love, and good to do,
Truth to seek, and heaven pursue.

4 Gracious God ! my thanks sincere
Kindly stoop thee down to hear ;
Bid them gush full, warm, and free,
From a spirit filled with Thee !

5 Round me close the shades of night,
Gird me with thy presence bright ;
Darkness comes not where Thou art,
Dwell Thou ever in my heart !

9. C. M. W. L. BOWLES.

Starlight Frost.

1 THE stars are shining over head,
In the clear frosty night ;

So will they shine when we are dead,
As countless and as bright.

2 For brief the time and short the space
That e'en the proudest have,
Ere they conclude their various race
In silence and the grave.

3 But the pure soul from dust shall rise
By our great Saviour's aid,
When the last trump shall rend the skies,
And all the stars shall fade.

10. L. M. NOEL.

Night.

1 WHEN restless on my bed I lie,
Still courting sleep, which still will fly,
Then shall reflection's brighter power
Illume the lone and midnight hour.

2 If hushed the breeze and calm the tide,
Soft will the stream of memory glide,
And all the past, a gentle train,
Waked by remembrance, live again.

3 Perhaps that anxious friend I trace,
Beloved till life's last throb shall cease,
Whose voice first taught a Saviour's truth,
A future bliss unknown on earth.

4 His faithful counsel, tender care,
Unwearied love, and humble prayer,
O these still claim the grateful tear,
And all my drooping courage cheer.

5 If loud the wind, the tempest high,
And darkness wraps the sullen sky,
I muse on life's tempestuous sea,
And sigh, O Lord, to come to thee.

6 Tossed on the deep and swelling wave,
O mark my trembling soul, and save ;
Give to my mind that harbour near,
Where thou wilt chase each grief and fear.

11. L. M. PIERPONT.

Evening Hymn. For a Child.

1 ANOTHER day its course hath run,
And still, O God, thy child is blest ;

For thou hast been by day my sun,
And thou wilt be by night my rest.

- 2 Sweet sleep descends, my eyes to close ;
And now when all the world is still,
I give my body to repose,
My spirit to my Father's will.

12. L. M. Bp. KENN.

Midnight.

- 1 My God, I now from sleep awake,
The sole possession of me take ;
From midnight terrors me secure,
And guard my heart from thoughts impure.
- 2 Blest angels, while we silent lie,
You Hallelujahs sing on high ;
You joyful hymn the Ever-blest,
Before the throne, and never rest.
- 3 I with your choir celestial join,
In offering up a hymn divine ;
With you in heaven I hope to dwell,
And bid the night and world farewell.
- 4 O may I always ready stand,
With my lamp burning in my hand ;
May I in sight of heaven rejoice,
Whene'er I hear the Bridegroom's voice.
- 5 Blest Jesus, thou on heaven intent,
Whole nights hast in devotion spent ;
But I, frail creature, soon am tired
And all my zeal is soon expired.
- 6 Shine on me, Lord, new life impart
Fresh ardours kindle in my heart ;
One ray of thy all quickening light
Dispels the sloth and clouds of night.

ATTRIBUTES AND PROVIDENCE OF GOD.

13. L. M. WATTS.

God Invisible.

- 1 LORD, we are blind, poor mortals, blind,
We can't behold thy bright abode ;
O! 'tis beyond a creature's mind
To glance a thought half way to God.

- 2 Infinite leagues beyond the sky,
The great Eternal reigns alone,
Where neither wings, nor souls can fly,
Nor angels climb the topless throne.
- 3 The Lord of glory builds his seat
Of gems incomparably bright:
And lays beneath his sacred feet
Substantial beams of gloomy night.
- 4 Yet, glorious Lord, thy gracious eyes
Look through, and cheer us from above;
Beyond our praise thy grandeur flies,
Yet we adore, and yet we love.

14. L. M. MME. GUION.

Omnipresence.

- 1 O THOU by long experience tried,
Near whom no grief can long abide,
My Lord, how full of sweet content,
I pass my years of banishment.
- 2 All scenes alike engaging prove
To souls impressed with sacred love;
Where'er they dwell, they dwell in thee,
In heaven, in earth, or on the sea.
- 3 To me remains nor place nor time;
My country is in every clime;
I can be calm, and free from care,
On any shore, since God is there.
- 4 While place we seek, or place we shun,
The soul finds happiness in none;
But with a God to guide our way,
'Tis equal joy to go or stay.
- 5 Could I be cast where thou art not,
That were indeed a dreadful lot;
But regions none remote I call,
Secure of finding God in all.

15. C. M. WATTS.

Justice and Mercy of God. — Ps. 36.

- 1 WHILE men grow bold in wicked ways,
And yet a God they own,
My heart within me often says,
'Their thoughts believe there 's none.'

- 2 Their thoughts and ways at once declare,
(Whate'er their lips profess)
'God hath no wrath for them to fear,
Nor will they seek his grace.'
- 3 What strange self-flattery blinds their eyes!
But there's a hastening hour,
When they shall see, with sore surprise,
The terrors of thy power.
- 4 Thy justice shall maintain its throne,
Though mountains melt away,
Thy judgments are a world unknown,
A deep unfathomed sea.
- 5 Above these heavens' created rounds,
Thy mercies, Lord, extend;
Thy truth outlives the narrow bounds
Where time and nature end.
- 6 From thee, when creature streams run low,
And mortal comforts die,
Perpetual springs of life shall flow,
And raise our pleasures high.
- 7 Though all created light decay,
And death close up our eyes,
Thy presence makes eternal day,
Where clouds can never rise.

16. P. M. BP. HEEER.

Praise to God from Nature and Man.

- 1 WHEN Spring unlocks the flowers to paint the laughing soil;
When Summer's balmy showers refresh the mower's toil;
When Winter binds in frosty chains the fallow and the flood,
In God the earth rejoiceth still, and owns his Maker good.
- 2 The birds that wake the morning, and those that love the
shade;
The winds that sweep the mountain, or lull the drowsy glade;
The sun that from his amber bower rejoiceth on his way,
The moon and stars their Maker's name in silent pomp display.
- 3 Shall man, the lord of nature, expectant of the sky,
Shall man, alone unthankful, his little praise deny?
No, let the year forsake his course, the seasons cease to be,
Thee, Maker, must we always love, and Saviour, honor thee.
- 4 The flowers of Spring may wither, the hope of Summer fade,
The Autumn droop in Winter, the birds forsake the shade

he winds be lulled, the sun and moon forget their old decree,
 ut we in nature's latest hour, O Lord, will cling to thee.

17. L. M. BP. HEBER.

Give us our daily Bread.

- 1 O KING of earth, and air, and sea,
 The hungry ravens cry to thee;
 To thee, the scaly tribes that sweep
 The bosom of the boundless deep;
- 2 To thee the lions roaring call,
 The common Father, kind to all!
 Then grant thy servants, Lord, we pray,
 Our daily bread from day to day.
- 3 The fishes may for food complain;
 The ravens spread their wings in vain;
 The roaring lions lack and pine;
 But, God, thou carest still for thine.
- 4 Thy bounteous hand with food can bless
 The bleak and lonely wilderness;
 And taught by thy dear Son, we pray
 For daily bread from day to day.
- 5 And O, when through the wilds we roam
 That part us from our heavenly home;
 When, lost in danger, want and wo,
 Our faithless tears begin to flow;
- 6 Do thou thy gracious comfort give
 By which alone the soul may live;
 And grant thy servants, Lord, we pray,
 The bread of life from day to day.

18. L. M. WATTS.

Grace and Glory.

- 1 THE Almighty reigns, exalted high,
 O'er all the earth, o'er all the sky;
 Though clouds and darkness veil his feet,
 His dwelling is the mercy-seat.
- 2 O ye that love his holy name,
 Hate every work of sin and shame:
 He guards the souls of all his friends,
 And from the snares of hell defends.
- 3 Immortal light and joys unknown
 Are for the saints in darkness sown;

Those glorious seeds shall spring and rise,
And the bright harvest bless our eyes.

- 4 Rejoice, ye righteous, and record
The sacred honours of the Lord;
None, but the soul that feels his grace,
Can triumph in his holiness.

THE SCRIPTURES.

19. C. M. WATTS.

Holy Resolutions.

- 1 O THAT thy statutes, every hour,
Might dwell upon my mind!
Thence I derive a quickening power,
And daily peace I find.
- 2 To meditate thy precepts, Lord,
Shall be my sweet employ:
My soul shall ne'er forget thy word;
Thy word is all my joy.
- 3 How would I run in thy commands,
If thou my heart discharge
From sin and folly's hateful chains,
And set my feet at large!
- 4 My lips with courage shall declare
Thy statutes and thy name;
I'll speak thy word, though kings should hear,
Nor yield to sinful shame.
- 5 Depart from me, ye wicked race,
Whose hands and hearts are ill;
I love my God, I love his ways,
And must obey his will.

20. L. M. 6l. CHRISTIAN PSALMIST.

Constant Use of God's Word.

- 1 When quiet in my house I sit,
Thy book be my companion still,
My joy thy sayings to repeat,
Talk o'er the records of thy will,
And search the oracles divine,
Till every heartfelt word be mine.
- 2 Oft as I lay me down to rest,
O may the reconciling word

Sweetly compose my weary breast,
While, trusting in my gracious Lord,
I sink in peaceful dreams away,
And visions of eternal day!

- 3 Rising to sing my Father's praise,
Thee may I publish all day long;
And let thy precious word of grace
Flow from my heart and fill my tongue!
Fill all my life with purest love,
And join me to the church above.

CHRIST AND CHRISTIANITY.

21. C. M. DODDRIDGE.

Sincere Love to Christ.

- 1 Do not I love thee, O my Lord?
Behold my heart and see;
And turn each hateful idol out,
That dares to rival thee.
- 2 Is not thy name melodious still
To mine attentive ear?
Doth not each pulse with pleasure bound
My Saviour's voice to hear?
- 3 Hast thou a lamb in all thy flock,
I would disdain to feed?
Hast thou a foe, before whose face
I fear thy cause to plead?
- 4 Would not my heart pour forth its blood
In honour of thy name?
And challenge the cold hand of death
To damp the immortal flame?
- 5 Thou knowest I love thee, dearest Lord,
But O, I long to soar
Far from the sphere of mortal joys,
And learn to love thee more.

22. L. M. 6l. MONTGOMERY.

The Communion of Saints.

- 1 Not to the mount that burned with fire,
To darkness, tempest, and the sound
Of trumpet waxing higher and higher,
Nor voice of words that rent the ground,
While Israel heard, with trembling awe,
Jehovah thunder forth his law;

- 2 But to Mount Zion we are come,
The city of the living God,
Jerusalem, our heavenly home,
The courts by angel-legions trod,
Where meet in everlasting love
The Church of the first born above :
- 3 To God, the judge of quick and dead,
The perfect spirits of the just,
Jesus, our new great covenant Head,
The blood of sprinkling from the dust,
That better things than Abel's cries,
And pleads a Saviour's sacrifice.
- 4 O hearken to the healing voice,
That speaks from heaven in tones so mild;
Today are life and death our choice;
Today, through mercy reconciled,
Our all to God we yet may give;
Now let us hear his voice and live.

23. L. M. WATTS.

For Christmas.

- 1 THE lands that long in darkness lay
Now have beheld a heavenly light;
Nations, that sat in death's cold shade
Are blest with beams divinely bright.
- 2 The virgin's promised Son is born!
Behold the expected Child appear!
What shall his names or titles be?
'The Wonderful, the Counsellor!'
- 3 The government of earth and seas
Upon his shoulders shall be laid;
His wide dominions shall increase,
And honours to his name be paid.
- 4 Jesus, the holy Child, shall sit
High on his father David's throne;
Shall crush his foes beneath his feet,
And reign to ages yet unknown.

24. L. M. BP. HEBER.

'Hosanna to the Son of David.'

- 1 RIDE on, ride on in majesty!
Hark! all the tribes Hosanna cry!

Thine humble beast pursues his road,
With palms and scattered garments strewed.

- 2 Ride on, ride on in majesty!
In lowly pomp ride on to die!
O Christ, thy triumphs now begin
O'er captive death and conquered sin!
- 3 Ride on, ride on in majesty!
Thy last and fiercest strife is nigh;
The Father on his glorious throne
Expects his own anointed Son.
- 4 Ride on, ride on in majesty!
In lowly pomp ride on to die!
Bow thy meek head to mortal pain;
Then take, O Christ, thy power, and reign!

25. L. M. SIR J. E. SMITH.

'Lo, it is I; be not afraid.'

- 1 WHEN power divine in mortal form
Hushed with a word the raging storm,
In soothing accents, Jesus said,
'Lo, it is I, be not afraid.'
- 2 So when in silence nature sleeps,
And his lone watch the mourner keeps,
One thought shall every pang remove—
Trust, feeble man, thy Maker's love.
- 3 Blest be the voice that breathes from heaven,
To every heart in sunder riven,
When love and joy and hope are fled,
'Lo, it is I, be not afraid.'
- 4 When men with fiend-like passions rage,
And foes yet fiercer foes engage,
Blest be the voice, though still and small,
That whispers, God is over all.
- 5 God calms the tumult and the storm,
He rules the seraph and the worm:
No creature is by him forgot,
Of those who know or know him not.
- 6 And when the last dread hour shall come,
While shuddering nature waits her doom,
This voice shall wake the pious dead,
'Lo, it is I, be not afraid.'

26. L. M. THE CHRISTIAN YEAR.

'Abide with us, for it is towards Evening.'

- 1 'Tis gone, that bright and orb'd blaze,
Fast fading from our wistful gaze ;
Yon mantling cloud has hid from sight
The last faint pulse of quivering light.
- 5 In darkness and in weariness
The traveller on his way must press,
No gleam to watch on tree or tower,
Whiling away the lonesome hour.
- 3 Sun of my soul ! thou Saviour dear !
It is not night if thou be near :
O may no earth-born cloud arise
To hide thee from thy servant's eyes.
- 4 When with dear friends sweet talk I hold,
And all the flowers of life unfold,
Let not my heart within me burn,
Except in all I thee discern.
- 5 When the soft dews of kindly sleep
My wearied eyelids gently steep,
Be my last thought, how sweet to rest
For ever on my Saviour's breast.
- 6 Abide with me from morn till eve,
For without thee I cannot live ;
Abide with me when night is nigh,
For without thee I dare not die.

27. L. M. DODDRIDGE.

'Then were the disciples glad, when they saw the Lord.'

- 1 COME, our indulgent Saviour, come,
Illustrious conqueror o'er the tomb :
Here thine assembled servants bless,
And fill our hearts with sacred peace.
- 2 O come thyself, most gracious Lord,
With all the joy thy smiles afford ;
Reveal the lustre of thy face,
And make us feel thy vital grace.
- 3 Enter our hearts, Redeemer blest ;
Enter, thou ever-honoured guest,
Not for one transient hour alone,
But there to fix thy lasting throne.

- 4 Own this mean dwelling as thy home ;
And, when our life's last hour is come,
Let us but die, as in thy sight,
And death shall vanish in delight.
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CHRISTIAN LIFE.

28. C. M. R. ERSKINE.

The Vision of Faith.

- 1 By faith I see the unseen things,
Hid from all mortal eyes ;
Proud reason stretching all its wings,
Beneath me fluttering lies.
- 2 By faith I overcome the world,
And all its hurtful charms ;
I'm in the heavenly chariot hurled
Through all opposing harms.
- 3 By faith I can the mountains vast
Of sin and guilt remove,
And them into the ocean cast,
Of my Redeemer's love.

29. L. M. CHRISTIAN PSALMIST.

Patience.

- 1 DEAR Lord, though bitter is the cup
Thy gracious hand deals out to me,
I cheerfully would drink it up,
That cannot hurt which comes from thee.
- 2 From Jesus, the dear Son of God,
I'll learn obedience to thy will ;
And humbly kiss the chastening rod,
When its severest strokes I feel.

30. L. M. BP. HEBER.

'Why stand ye here idle?'

- 1 THE God of Glory walks his round,
From day to day, from year to year,
And warns us each with awful sound,
'No longer stand ye idle here !

- 2 'Ye whose young cheeks are rosy bright,
Whose hands are strong, whose hearts are clear,
Waste not of hope the morning light!
Ah fools! why stand ye idle here ?
- 3 'Oh, as the griefs ye would assuage
That wait on life's declining year,
Secure a blessing for your age,
And work your Maker's business here !
- 4 'And ye, whose locks of scanty gray
Foretell your latest travail near,
How swiftly fades your worthless day !
And stand ye yet so idle here ?
- 5 'One hour remains, there is but one !
But many a shriek and many a tear
Through bitter years the guilt must moan
Of moments lost and wasted here !'
- 6 O Thou, by all thy works adored,
To whom the sinner's soul is dear,
Recall us to thy vineyard, Lord !
And grant us grace to please thee here !

31. L. M. WATTS.

Love to God and our Neighbour.

- 1 'Thus saith the first, the great command,
Let all thy inward powers unite
To love thy Maker and thy God
With utmost vigour and delight.
- 2 'Then shall thy neighbour next in place
Share thine affection and esteem ;
And let thy kindness to thyself
Measure and rule thy love to him.'
- 3 This is the sense that Moses spoke,
This did the prophets preach and prove ;
For want of this the law is broke,
And the whole law's fulfilled by love.
- 4 But oh ! how base our passions are !
How cold our charity and zeal !
Lord, fill our souls with heavenly fire,
Or we shall ne'er perform thy will.

CONFESSION AND REPENTANCE.

32. 7s M. 6 l. MONTGOMERY.

A Sinner imploring Mercy. — Ps. 69.

- 1 God, be merciful to me,
For my spirit trusts in thee,
And to thee, her refuge, springs;
Be the shadow of thy wings
Round the trembling sinner cast,
Till the storm is overpast.
- 2 Poor and sorrowful am I;
Set me, O my God, on high;
Wonders thou for me hast wrought;
Nigh to death my soul is brought;
Save me, Lord, in mercy save,
Lest I sink below the grave.

33. L. M. MONTGOMERY.

Confession and Prayer. — Ps. 51.

- 1 HAVE mercy on me, O my God,
In loving kindness hear my prayer;
Withdraw the terror of thy rod;
Lord, in thy tender mercy spare.
- 2 Offences rise where'er I look;
But I confess their guilt to thee;
Blot my transgressions from thy book,
Cleanse me from mine iniquity.
- 3 A perfect heart in me create,
Renew my soul in innocence;
Cast not the suppliant from thy gate
Nor take thine holy Spirit hence.
- 4 Thy consolations, as of old,
Now to my troubled mind restore;
By thy free Spirit's might uphold
And guide my steps, to fall no more.
- 5 The broken heart in sacrifice,
Alone may thine acceptance meet:
My heart, O God, do not despise,
Broken and contrite, at thy feet.

34. C. M. BP. HEBER.

Forgive and be Forgiven.

- 1 OH God! my sins are manifold, against my life they cry,
And all my guilty deeds foregone, up to thy temple fly;
Will thou release my trembling soul, that to despair is
driven?
'Forgive!' a blessed voice replied, 'and thou shalt be for-
given!'
- 2 My foemen, Lord! are fierce and fell, they spurn me in their
pride,
They render evil for my good, my patience they deride;
Arise, oh King! and be the proud to righteous ruin driven!
'Forgive!' an awful answer came, 'as thou wouldst be for-
given!'
- 3 Seven times, oh Lord! I pardoned them, seven times they
sinned again:
They practise still to work me wo, they triumph in my pain;
But let them dread my vengeance now, to just resentment
driven!
'Forgive!' the voice of thunder spake, 'or never be forgiven!'

35. C. M. STERNHOLD, altered.

Humble Penitence.

- 1 OH Lord, turn not thy face away from them that lowly lie,
Lamenting sore their sinful life with tears and bitter cry!
Thy mercy-gates are open wide to them that mourn their sin;
Oh shut them not against us, Lord, but let us enter in!
- 2 We need not to confess our fault, for surely thou canst tell
What we have done, and what we are thou knowest very
well:
Wherefore, to beg and to intreat, with tears we come to thee,
As children that have done amiss fall at their father's knee.
- 3 And need we then, oh Lord! repeat the blessing which we
crave,
When thou dost know, before we speak, the thing that we
would have?
Mercy! oh Lord, — mercy we seek: — this is the total sum!
For mercy, Lord! is all our prayer, — oh, let thy mercy
come!

36. L. M. WATTS.

Confession and Pardon.—Ps. 32.

- 1 WHILE I keep silence, and conceal
My heavy guilt within my heart,
What torments doth my conscience feel!
What agonies of inward smart!
- 2 I spread my sins before the Lord,
And all my secret faults confess;
Thy gospel speaks a pardoning word,
Thy holy Spirit seals the grace.
- 3 For this shall every humble soul
Make swift addresses to thy seat:
When floods of huge temptation roll,
There shall they find a blest retreat.
- 4 How safe beneath thy wings I lie,
When days grow dark, and storms appear!
And when I walk, thy watchful eye
Shall guide me safe from every snare.

37. P. M. BP. HEBER.

Joy in Heaven.

- 2 THERE WAS joy in Heaven!
There was joy in Heaven!
When this goodly world to frame
The Lord of might and mercy came:
Shouts of joy were heard on high,
And the stars sang from the sky—
'Glory to God in Heaven!'
- 2 There was joy in Heaven!
There was joy in Heaven!
When the billows, heaving dark,
Sank around the stranded ark,
And the rainbow's watery span
Spoke of mercy, hope to man,
And peace with God in Heaven!
- 3 There was joy in heaven!
There was joy in heaven!
When of love the midnight beam
Dawned on the towers of Bethlehem;
And along the echoing hill
Angels sang—'On earth good will,
And glory in the heaven.'

- 4 There is joy in Heaven!
 There is joy in Heaven!
 When the sheep that went astray
 Turns again to virtue's way;
 When the soul, by grace subdued,
 Sobs its prayer of gratitude
 Then is there joy in Heaven!
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DEVOUT ASPIRATIONS AND AFFECTIONS.

38. C. M. MRS STEELE.

Watchfulness and Prayer.

- 1 ALAS, what hourly dangers rise!
 What snares beset my way!
 To heaven then let me lift my eyes,
 And hourly watch and pray.
- 2 How oft my mournful thoughts complain,
 And melt in flowing tears!
 My weak resistance, ah how vain!
 How strong my foes and fears!
- 3 O gracious God, in whom I live,
 My feeble efforts aid,
 Help me to watch, and pray, and strive,
 Though trembling and afraid.
- 4 Increase my faith, increase my hope,
 When foes and fears prevail;
 And bear my fainting spirit up,
 Or soon my strength will fail.
- 5 When strong temptations fright my heart,
 Or lure my feet aside;
 My God, thy powerful aid impart,
 My guardian and my guide.
- 6 Still keep me in thy heavenly way,
 And bid the tempter flee;
 And never let me go astray
 From happiness and thee.

39. L. M. EPISCOPAL COL.

The Soul panting for God.

- 1 As, panting in the sultry beam,
 The hart desires the cooling stream,

- So to thy presence, Lord, I flee,
 So longs my soul, O God, for thee ;
 Athirst to taste thy living grace,
 And see thy glory, face to face.
- 2 But rising griefs distress my soul,
 And tears on tears successive roll ;
 For many an evil voice is near,
 To chide my wo, and mock my fear ;
 And silent memory weeps alone
 O'er hours of peace and gladness flown.
- 3 For I have walked the happy round
 That circles Zion's holy ground,
 And gladly swelled the choral lays
 That hymned my great Creator's praise,
 What time the hallowed arches rung
 Responsive to the solemn song.
- 4 Ah, why, by passing clouds oppress,
 Should vexing thoughts distract thy breast ?
 Turn, turn to him in every pain,
 Whom suppliants never sought in vain —
 Thy strength, in joy's ecstatic day,
 Thy hope, when joy has passed away.

40. 7s M. MONTGOMERY.

The Image of God.

- 1 FATHER of eternal grace,
 Glorify thyself in me ;
 Meekly beaming in my face,
 May the world thine image see.
- 2 Happy only in thy love,
 Poor, unfriended, or unknown,
 Fix my thoughts on things above,
 Stay my heart on thee alone.
- 3 Humble, holy, all resigned
 To thy will, — thy will be done !
 Give me, Lord, the perfect mind
 Of thy well beloved Son.
- 4 Counting gain and glory loss,
 May I tread the path he trod,
 Die with Jesus on the cross,
 Rise with him to thee, my God.
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41. C. M. WESLEY.

Secret Communion with God.

- 1 FATHER of Jesus Christ, my Lord,
I humbly seek thy face;
Encouraged by the Saviour's word
To ask thy pardoning grace.
- 2 Far from the paths of men, to thee
I solemnly retire;
See thou, who dost in secret see,
And grant my heart's desire.
- 3 Thy grace I languish to receive,
The spirit of love and power;
Blameless before thy face to live,
To live and sin no more.
- 4 Fain would I all thy goodness feel,
And know my sins forgiven!
And do on earth thy perfect will,
As angels do in heaven.

42. L. M. COWPER.

Looking upward in Affliction.

- 1 God of my life, to thee I call,
Afflicted at thy feet I fall,
When the great water-floods prevail,
Leave not my trembling heart to fail!
- 2 Friend of the friendless, and the faint!
Where should I lodge my deep complaint,
Where but with thee, whose open door
Invites the helpless and the poor?
- 3 Did ever mourner plead with thee,
And thou refuse that mourner's plea?
Does not the word still fixed remain,
That none shall seek thy face in vain?
- 4 That were a grief I could not bear,
Didst thou not hear and answer prayer;
But a prayer-hearing, answering God,
Supports me under every load.

43. 7s M. TOPLADY.

True Happiness only in God.

- 1 HAPPINESS! thou lovely name,
Where 's thy seat? O tell me where!

Learning, pleasure, wealth, and fame,
 All cry out, 'It is not here !'
 Not the wisdom of the wise
 Can inform me where it lies,
 Not the grandeur of the great
 Can the bliss I seek create.

- 2 Lord, it is not life to live,
 If thy presence thou deny ;
 Lord, if thou thy presence give,
 'T is no longer death to die.
 Source and giver of repose,
 Singly from thy smile it flows ;
 Peace and happiness are thine,
 Mine they are, if thou art mine.
- 3 Whilst I feel thy love to me,
 Every object teems with joy ;
 Here, O may I walk with thee,
 Then into thy presence die.
 Let me but thyself possess,
 Total sum of happiness !
 Real bliss I then shall prove,
 Heaven below and heaven above.

44. C. P. M. WESLEY.

For Divine Help.

- 1 HELP, Lord, to whom for help I fly,
 And still my tempted soul stand by
 Throughout the evil day !
 The sacred watchfulness impart,
 And keep the issues of my heart,
 And stir me up to pray.
- 2 My soul with thy whole armour arm ;
 In each approach of sin alarm,
 And shew the danger near !
 Surround, sustain, and strengthen me,
 And fill with godly jealousy,
 And sanctifying fear.
- 3 Whene'er my careless hands hang down,
 O let me see thy gathering frown,
 And feel thy warning eye ;
 And starting, cry, from ruin's brink,
 Save, Father, or I yield, I sink ;
 O save me, or I die !

- 4 In me thine utmost mercy show,
And make me like thy Son below,
Unblameable in grace;
Ready prepared and fitted here,
By perfect holiness, to appear
Before thy glorious face.

45. C. M. WATTS.

A Prayer of the Afflicted. — Ps. 102.

- 1 HEAR me, O God, nor hide thy face,
But answer lest I die:
Hast thou not built a throne of grace,
To hear when sinners cry?
- 2 My days are wasted like the smoke
Dissolving in the air;
My strength is dried, my heart is broke,
And sinking in despair.
- 3 As on some lonely building's top,
The sparrow tells her moan,
Far from the tents of joy and hope,
I sit and grieve alone.
- 4 My locks like withered leaves appear;
And life's declining light
Grows faint as evening shadows are,
That vanish into night.
- 5 But thou forever art the same,
O my eternal God!
Ages to come shall know thy name,
And spread thy works abroad.
- 6 Thou wilt arise, and show thy face,
Nor will my Lord delay
Beyond the appointed hour of grace,
That long expected day.
- 7 He hears his saints, he knows their cry,
And by mysterious ways
Redeems the prisoners doomed to die,
And fills their tongues with praise.

46. 7s M. WESLEY.

Learning of God.

- 1 LORD, that I may learn of thee,
Give me true simplicity;

- Wean my soul, and keep it low,
Willing thee alone to know.
- 2 Let me cast my reeds aside,
All that feeds my knowing pride:
Not to man, but God submit,
Lay my reasonings at thy feet.
- 3 Of my boasted wisdom spoiled,
Docile, helpless as a child;
Only seeing in thy light,
Only walking in thy might.
- 4 Then infuse the teaching grace,
Spirit of truth and righteousness;
Knowledge, love divine impart,
Life eternal to my heart.

47. L. M. MRS COTTERILL.

For Heavenly-mindedness.

- 1 O FROM the world's vile slavery,
Almighty Father! set me free;
And as my treasure is above,
Be there my thoughts, be there my love.
- 2 But oft, alas! too well I know,
My thoughts, my love, are fixed below;
In every lifeless prayer I find
The heart unmoved, the absent mind.
- 3 O what that frozen heart can move,
That melts not at a Saviour's love?
What can that sluggish spirit raise,
That will not sing its Father's praise?
- 4 Yet earthly pleasure still hath charms,
And earthly love my bosom warms;
Though cold my heart to love divine,
And cold, my bleeding Lord to thine!
- 5 O draw my best affections hence,
Above this world of sin and sense;
Cause them to soar beyond the skies,
And rest not till to thee they rise.

48. L. M. WESLEY.

Fervent Devotion. — Ps. 63.

- 1 O God, my God, my all thou art!
Ere shines the dawn of rising day,

Thy sovereign light within my heart
Thy all-enlivening power display.

- 2 For thee my thirsty soul doth pant
Whilst in this desert land I live ;
And hungry as I am, and faint,
Thy love alone can comfort give.
- 3 More dear than life itself, thy love
My heart and tongue shall still employ ;
And to declare thy praise will prove
My peace, my glory, and my joy.
- 4 In blessing thee with grateful songs
My happy life shall glide away ;
The praise that to thy name belongs,
Hourly with lifted hands I'll pay.
- 5 In all I do I feel thine aid ;
Therefore thy greatness will I sing,
O God, who bid'st my heart be glad,
Beneath the shadow of thy wing.

49. L. M. 6l. C. WESLEY.

Helpless, yet Happy.

- 1 O THOU, whose wise, paternal love
Hath brought my active vigour down,
Thy choice I thankfully approve,
And, prostrate at thy gracious throne,
I offer up my life's remains,
I choose the state my God ordains.
- 2 Cast, as a broken vessel by,
Thy will I can no longer do ;
Yet while a daily death I die,
Thy power I may in weakness show,
My patience may thy glory raise,
My speechless wo proclaim thy praise.

50. L. M. 6l. MME GUION.

Surrender of the Soul.

- 1 PEACE has unveiled her smiling face,
And woos thy soul to her embrace ;
Enjoyed with ease, if thou refrain
From earthly love, else sought in vain ;
She dwells with all who truth prefer,
But seeks not them who seek not her.

- 2 Yield to the Lord, with simple heart,
 All that thou hast, and all thou art ;
 Renounce all strength but strength divine,
 And peace shall be forever thine ;
 Behold the paths the saints have trod,
 The paths which led them home to God.

51. 7s M. 6l. J. NEWTON.

The Child of God.

- 1 QUIET, Lord, my froward heart,
 Make me teachable and mild ;
 Upright, simple, free from art,
 Make me as a weaned child :
 From distrust and envy free,
 Pleased with all that pleases thee.
- 2 What thou shalt today provide,
 Let me as a child receive ;
 What tomorrow may betide,
 Calmly to thy wisdom leave :
 'Tis enough that thou wilt care ;
 Why should I the burden bear ?
- 3 As a little child relies
 On a care beyond his own ;
 Knows he 's neither strong nor wise ;
 Fears to stir a step alone ;
 Let me thus with thee abide,
 As my Father, Guard, and Guide.
- 4 Thus preserved from worldly wiles,
 Safe from dangers, free from fears,
 May I live upon thy smiles,
 Till the promised hour appears,
 When the sons of God shall prove
 All their Father's boundless love.

52. C. M. WATTS.

Prayer and Hope. — Ps. 76.

- 2 SOON as I heard my Father say,
 'Ye children, seek my grace ;'
 My heart replied without delay,
 'I'll seek my Father's face.'
- Let not thy face be hid from me,
 Nor frown my soul away ;

God of my life, I fly to thee
In a distressing day.

3 Should friends and kindred near and dear
Leave me to want or die,
My God would make my life his care,
And all my need supply.

4 My fainting flesh had died with grief,
Had not my soul believed
To see thy grace provide relief;
Nor was my hope deceived.

5 Wait on the Lord, ye trembling saints,
And keep your courage up;
He'll raise your spirit when it faints,
And far exceed your hope.

53. 10 & 11s M. WESLEY.

God will Provide.

- 1 THE earth is the Lord's, and all it contains;
The truth of his word forever remains;
The saints have a mountain of blessings in him,
His grace is the fountain, his peace is the stream,
- 2 To him our request we now have made known,
Who sees what is best for each of his own:
Our heathenish care, we cast it aside!
He heareth the prayer, and he will provide.

54. L. M. 6l. WESLEY.

Fervent Vows and Petitions.

- 1 THEE will I love, my strength, my tower,
Thee will I love, my joy, my crown;
Thee will I love with all my power,
In all thy works, and thee alone:
Thee will I love, till the pure fire
Fill my whole soul with chaste desire.
- 2 In darkness far from thee I strayed;
I sought thee, yet from thee I roved;
For wide my wandering thoughts were spread;
Thy creatures more than thee I loved;
And now, if more at length I see,
'T is through thy light, and comes from thee.
- 3 I thank thee, uncreated Sun,
That thy bright beams on me have shined;

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I thank thee, who hast overthrown
My foes, and healed my wounded mind ;
I thank thee, whose enlivening voice
Bids my freed heart in thee rejoice.

4 Give to mine eyes refreshing tears ;
Give to my heart chaste, hallowed fires ;
Give to my soul, with filial fears,
The love that all heaven's host inspires ;
That all my powers, with all their might,
In thy sole glory may unite.

5 Thee will I love, my Joy, my Crown,
Thee will I love, my Lord, my God ;
Thee will I love, beneath thy frown,
Or smile, thy sceptre, or thy rod ;
What though my flesh and heart decay ;
Thee shall I love in endless day !

55. S. M. WESLEY.

Seeking a Right Heart.

1 THE thing my God doth hate,
That I no more may do,
Thy creature, Lord, again create,
And all my soul renew.

2 That blessed law of thine,
Father, to me impart ;
The Spirit's law of life divine—
O write it on my heart !

3 Implant it deep within,
Whence it may ne'er remove,
The law of liberty from sin,
The perfect law of love.

4 Thy nature be my law,
Thy spotless sanctity ;
And sweetly every moment draw
My happy soul to thee.

56. C. M. MRS ROWE.

Renouncing all for God.

1 To thee, O God ! my prayer ascends,
But not for golden stores ;
Nor covet I the brightest gems
That clothe the eastern shores :

- 2 Nor that deluding empty joy
Men call a mighty name ;
Nor greatness, with its pride and state,
My restless thoughts inflame :
- 3 Nor pleasure's fascinating charms,
My fond desires allure ;
But nobler things than these, from thee,
My wishes would secure.
- 4 The faith and hope of things unseen
My best affections move ;
Thy light, thy favour, and thy smiles,
Thine everlasting love :
- 5 These are the blessings I desire ;
Lord, be these blessings mine—
And all the glories of the world
I cheerfully resign.

57. L. M. WATTS.

A Sight of God mortifies us to the World.

- 1 Up to the fields, where angels lie,
And living waters gently roll,
Fain would my thoughts leap out and fly,
But sin hangs heavy on my soul.
- 2 Had I a glance of thee, my God,
Kingdoms and men would vanish soon ;
Vanish, as though I saw them not,
As a dim candle dies at noon.
- 3 Then they might fight, and rage, and rave,
I should perceive the noise no more
Than we can hear a shaking leaf
While rattling thunders round us roar.
- 4 Great ALL in ALL, eternal King,
Let me but view thy lovely face,
And all my powers shall bow, and sing
Thine endless grandeur, and thy grace.

58. S. M. TOPLADY.

Weak Believers Comforted.

- 1 YOUR harps, ye trembling saints
Down from the willows take ;
Loud to the praise of love divine
Bid every string awake.

- 2 Though in a foreign land,
We are not far from home;
And nearer to our house above
We every moment come.
- 3 His grace will to the end
Stronger and brighter shine;
Nor present things, nor things to come
Shall quench the love divine.
- 4 Soon shall our doubts and fears
Subside at his control;
His loving kindness shall break through
The darkness of the soul.
- 5 Blest is the man, O God,
That stays himself on thee!
Who waits for thy salvation, Lord,
Shall thy salvation see.
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LIFE, DEATH, AND FUTURITY.

59. C. M. WATTS.

A Saint prepared to Die.

- 1 DEATH may dissolve my body now,
And bear my spirit home;
Why do my minutes move so slow,
Nor my salvation come?
- 2 With heavenly weapons I have fought
The battles of the Lord,
Finished my course, and kept the faith,
And wait the sure reward.
- 3 God has laid up in heaven for me
A crown which cannot fade;
The righteous Judge, at that great day,
Shall place it on my head.
- 4 Nor hath the king of grace decreed
This prize for me alone;
But all that love and long to see
The appearance of his Son.

60. C. M. WATTS.

Sick-bed Devotion. — Ps. 29.

- 1 GOD of my life, look gently down,
Behold the pains I feel;

- But I am dumb before thy throne,
Nor dare dispute thy will.
- 2 Diseases are thy servants, Lord ;
They come at thy command ;
I'll not attempt a murmuring word
Against thy chastening hand.
- 3 I'm but a sojourner below,
As all my fathers were ;
May I be well prepared to go,
When I the summons hear.
- 4 But if my life be spared a while,
Before my last remove,
Thy praise shall be my business still,
And I'll declare thy love.

61.

P. M.

WESLEY.

Blessedness of the Holy Dead.

- 1 How blest is our brother, bereft
Of all that could burden his mind !
How easy the soul, that has left
This wearisome body behind !
Of evil incapable thou,
Whose relics with envy I see,
No longer in misery now,
No longer a sinner like me.
- 2 This earth is affected no more
With sickness, nor shaken with pain ;
The war in the members is o'er,
And never shall vex him again ;
No anger henceforward, nor shame,
Shall redden his innocent clay,
Extinct is the animal flame,
And passion is vanished away.
- 3 This languishing head is at rest,
Its thinking and aching are o'er ;
This quiet immoveable breast
Is heaved by affliction no more ;
This heart is no longer the seat
Of trouble, and torturing pain,
It ceases to flutter and beat,
It never shall flutter again.
- 4 The lids he so seldom could close,
By sorrow forbidden to sleep,
Now sealed in their mortal repose,
Have strangely forgotten to weep ;

The fountains can yield no supplies,
 These hollows from water are free ;
 The tears are all wiped from these eyes,
 And evil they never shall see.

62. L. M. 61. CHRISTIAN PSALMIST

Seeking a Better Country.

- 1 LEADER of faithful souls, and Guide
 Of all that travel to the sky,
 Come, and with us, even us abide,
 Who would on thee alone rely ;
 On thee alone our spirits stay,
 While held in life's uneven way.
- 2 We have no bidding city here,
 But seek a city out of sight ;
 Thither our steady course we steer,
 Aspiring to the plains of light ;
 Jerusalem, the saints' abode,
 Whose founder is the living God.
- 3 Raised by the breath of love divine,
 We urge our way with strength renewed ;
 The church of the first-born to join,
 We travel to the mount of God ;
 With joy upon our heads arise,
 And meet our Captain in the skies.

63. L. M. WATTS.

Man's Mortality, and God's Eternity.

- 1 It is the Lord our Father's hand
 Weakens our strength amidst the race ;
 Disease and death, at his command,
 Arrest us and cut short our days.
- 2 Spare us, O Lord, aloud we pray,
 Nor let our sun go down at noon ;
 Thy years are one eternal day,
 And must thy children die so soon ?
- 3 Yet in the midst of death and grief,
 This thought our sorrow shall assuage :
 'Our Father and our Saviour live ;
 God is the same through every age.'
- 4 'T was he this earth's foundation laid :
 Heaven is the building of his hand ;

This earth grows old, these heavens shall fade,
And all be changed at his command.

5 ~~The~~ starry curtains of the sky,
Like garments, shall be laid aside ;
But still thy throne stands firm and high ;
Thy church forever must abide.

6 Before thy face thy church shall live,
And on thy throne thy children reign ;
This dying world shall they survive,
And the dead saints be raised again.

64. L. M. WATTS.

Living and Dying with God present.

1 I CANNOT bear thine absence, Lord ;
My life expires if thou depart :
Be thou, my heart, still near my God ;
And thou, my God, be near my heart.

2 I was not born for earth or sin,
Nor can I live on things so vile ;
Yet I will stay my Father's time,
And hope and wait for heaven a while.

3 Then, dearest Lord, in thine embrace
Let me resign my fleeting breath ;
And with a smile upon my face,
Pass the important hour of death.

65. L. M. 6l. BR. HEBER.

Unspeakable Glories of Heaven.

1 I PRAISED the earth, in beauty seen
With garlands gay of various green ;
I praised the sea whose ample field
Shone glorious as a silver shield ;
And earth and ocean seemed to say
'Our beauties are but for a day !'

2 I praised the sun, whose chariot rolled
On wheels of amber and of gold ;
I praised the moon, whose softer eye
Gleamed sweetly through the summer sky !
And moon and sun in answer said,
'Our days of light are numbered !'

3 O God ! O Good beyond compare !
If thus thy meaner works are fair !

If thus thy bounties gild the span
Of ruined earth and sinful man,
How glorious must the mansion be
Where thy redeemed shall dwell with thee !

66. C. M. WATTS.

Victory o'er Death.

- 1 O FOR an overcoming faith
To cheer my dying hours,
To triumph o'er the monster death,
And all his frightful powers,
- 2 Joyful with all the strength I have,
My quivering lips should sing,
'Where is thy boasted victory, grave?
And where the monster's sting?'
- 3 Now to the God of victory
Immortal thanks be paid,
Who makes us conquerors, while we die,
Through Christ our living head.

67. P. M. KELLY.

'The Lord is my Helper.'

- 1 OFT as I look upon the road
That leads to yonder blessed abode,
I feel distressed and fearful:
So many foes the passage throng,
I am so weak, and they so strong,
How can my soul be cheerful!
- 2 But when I think of him whose power
Can save me in a trying hour,
And place on him reliance,
My soul is then ashamed of fear;
And though ten thousand foes appear,
I bid them all defiance.
- 3 The dangerous road I then pursue,
And keep the glorious prize in view;
With joyful hope elated:
Strong in the Lord, in him alone,
Where he conducts, I follow on,
With ardour unabated.
- 4 O Lord, each day renew my strength,
And let me see thy face at length,
With all thy people yonder:

With them in heaven thy love declare,
And sing thy praise forever there,
With gratitude and wonder.

68. L. M. PEABODY.

The Land of the Blest.

- 1 O, WHEN the hours of life are past,
And death's dark shade arrives at last,
It is not sleep, it is not rest ;
'Tis glory opening to the blest.
- 2 Their way to heaven was pure from sin,
And Christ shall there receive them in :
There each shall wear a robe of light,
Like his, divinely fair and bright.
- 3 There, parted hearts again shall meet,
In union holy, calm, and sweet ;
There, grief find rest ; and never more
Shall sorrow call them to deplore.
- 4 There, angels will unite their prayers
With spirits bright and blest as theirs ;
And light shall glance on every crown
From suns that never more go down.
- 5 No storm shall ride the troubled air ;
No voice of passion enter there ;
But all be peaceful as the sigh
Of evening gales, that breathe, and die.
- 6 For there the God of mercy sheds
His purest influence on their heads,
And gilds the spirits round the throne
With glory radiant as his own.

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69. C. M. MONTGOMERY.

The Family Altar.

- 1 Food, raiment, dwelling, health, and friends,
Thou, Lord, hast made our lot ;
With thee our bliss begins and ends,
As we are thine, or not.

- 2 For these we bend the humble knee,
 Our thankful spirits bow ;
 Yet from thy gifts we turn to thee ;
 Be thou our portion—THOU !

70. 8 & 7s M. C. WESLEY.

For Domestic Worship.

- 1 PEACE be to this habitation ;
 Peace to all that dwell therein ;
 Peace the earnest of salvation ;
 Peace, the fruit of pardoned sin ;
 Peace, that speaks the heavenly Giver,
 Peace, to worldly minds unknown ;
 Peace divine that lasts forever ;
 Peace, that comes from God alone.
- 2 Jesus, Prince of Peace, be near us,
 Fix in all our hearts thy home ;
 With thy gracious presence cheer us ;
 Let thy sacred kingdom come ;
 Raise to heaven our expectation,
 Give our favoured souls to prove
 Glorious and complete salvation,
 In the realms of bliss above.

71. C. M. WATTS.

Pious Education of Children.—Ps. 78.

- 1 LET children hear the mighty deeds
 Which God performed of old ;
 Which in our younger years we saw,
 And which our fathers told.
- 2 He bids us make his glories known ;
 His works of power and grace ;
 And we'll convey his wonders down,
 Through every rising race.
- 3 Our lips shall tell them to our sons,
 And they again to theirs ;
 That generations yet unborn
 May teach them to their heirs
- 4 Thus shall they learn in God alone
 Their hope securely stands ;
 That they may ne'er forget his works,
 But practise his commands.

72. C. M. CHRISTIAN PSALMIST.

The Sabbath. In the Family.

- 1 Now may the Spirit's holy fire,
Descending from above,
His waiting family inspire
With joy, and peace, and love.
- 2 Wake, heavenly wind, arise, and come,
Blow on the drooping field ;
Our spices then shall breathe perfume
And fragrant incense yield.
- 3 Touch with a living coal the lip
That shall proclaim thy word,
And bid us all devoutly keep
Attention to the Lord.

73. C. M. C. WESLEY.

The Sabbath. Private Prayers.

MAY I throughout this day of thine
Be in thy Spirit, Lord ;
Spirit of humble fear divine,
That trembles at thy word ;
Spirit of faith, my heart to raise
And fix on things above ;
Spirit of sacrifice and praise,
Of holiness and love.

74. L. M. WATTS.

The Church is the Garden of God. — Ps. 92.

- 1 LORD, 't is a pleasant thing to stand
In gardens planted by thy hand ;
Let me within thy courts be seen
Like a young cedar, fresh and green.
- 2 There grow thy saints in faith and love,
Blest with thine influence from above ;
Not Lebanon, with all its trees,
Yields such a comely sight as these.
- 3 The plants of grace shall ever live ;
(Nature decays, but grace must thrive)
Time, that doth all things else impair,
Still makes them flourish strong and fair.
- 4 Laden with fruits of age, they shew
The Lord is holy, just and true ;

None that attend his gates shall find
A God unfaithful or unkind.

75. 7s M. MONTGOMERY.

A Day in the Courts of the Lord.

- 1 To thy temple I repair ;
Lord, I love to worship there ;
Abba ! Father ! give me grace,
In thy courts to seek thy face.
- 2 While thy glorious praise is sung,
Touch my lips, unloose my tongue,
That my joyful-soul may bless
Thee, the Lord my righteousness.
- 3 While the prayers of saints ascend,
God of love, to mine attend ;
Hear me, for thy Spirit pleads,
Hear, for Jesus intercedes.
- 4 While I hearken to thy law,
Fill my soul with humble awe,
Till thy gospel bring to me
Life and immortality.
- 5 While thy ministers proclaim
Peace and pardon in thy name,
Through their voice, by faith may I
Hear thee speaking from the sky.
- 6 From thy house, when I return,
May my heart within me burn,
And at evening let me say,
—I have walked with God today.

76. C. M. WATTS.

The Church is our Delight and Safety. — Ps. 27.

- 1 THE Lord of glory is my light,
And my salvation too ;
God is my strength, nor will I fear
• What all my foes can do.
- 3 One privilege my heart desires :
O ! grant me an abode
Among the churches of thy saints,
The temples of my God.
- 3 There shall I offer my requests,
And see thy beauty still ;

Shall hear thy messages of love,
And there inquire thy will.

- 4 When troubles rise and storms appear,
There may his children hide ;
God has a strong pavilion, where
He makes my soul abide.

77. C. M. MONTGOMERY.

What is Prayer ?

- 1 PRAYER is the soul's sincere desire,
Uttered or unexpressed ;
The motion of a hidden fire,
That trembles in the breast.
- 2 Prayer is the burden of a sigh ;
The falling of a tear ;
The upward glancing of an eye
When none but God is near.
- 3 Prayer is the simplest form of speech
That infant lips can try ;
Prayer, the sublimest strains that reach
The majesty on high.
- 4 Prayer is the Christian's vital breath,
The Christian's native air ;
His watchword at the gates of death ;
He enters heaven with prayer.
- 5 Prayer is the contrite sinner's voice
Returning from his ways ;
While angels in their songs rejoice
And cry, ' Behold he prays ! '
- 6 The saints in prayer appear as one
In word, and deed, and mind ;
While with the Father, and the Son,
Sweet fellowship they find.
- 7 O thou by whom we come to God,
The life, the truth, the way,
The path of prayer thyself hast trod ;
Lord, teach us how to pray.

78. C. M. J. HOGG.

A Child's Prayer.

- 1 O God of yonder starry frame,
How should a thing like me

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- Dare to pronounce thy holy name,
Or bow to thee the knee?
I know not of my spirit's birth,
How dust and soul combine,
Nor being of one thing on earth,
And how can I know thine?
- 2 I only know that I was made
Thy purpose to fulfil,
And that I gladly would be good,
And do thy holy will.
For this, my being rational,
For this, my dwelling place,
I bless thee, Lord; but most of all,
For gospel of thy grace.
- 3 Direct my soul to search and know
What Jesus did for me,
And teach my little heart to glow
With thankfulness to thee.
And when this weary life is done,
And dust to dust declines,
Then may I dwell beyond the sun,
Where thy own glory shines.
- 4 Take my dear parents to thy care,
My little kinsfolk too,
And listen to their humble prayer,
When they before thee bow.
And when they pray for sinful me,
With fervour that exceeds,
Do thou return the blessing free
And double on their heads.

79. C. M. ANONYMOUS.

A Child's Prayer.

- 1 LORD, teach a little child to pray,
And O accept my prayer!
Thou canst hear all the words I say,
For thou art everywhere.
- 2 A little sparrow cannot fall
Unnoticed, Lord, by thee;
And though I am so young and small,
Thou dost take care of me.
- 3 Teach me to do whate'er is right,
And when I sin, forgive;
And make it still my chief delight
To love thee while I live.

80. C. M. ANONYMOUS.

A Child's Prayer.

- 1 LORD, may I ne'er in youth be led
In sin's dark path to stray,
But may I early learn to tread
In wisdom's pleasant way.
- 2 What sorrows may my steps attend
I never can foretell;
But since my Maker is my friend,
I know that all is well.
- 3 Father, whatever grief or ill
For me may be in store,
Make me submissive to thy will,
And I would ask no more.
- 4 Then still as seasons hasten by,
I will for heaven prepare;
That God may take me, when I die,
To be for ever there.

81. L. M. ANONYMOUS.

Sunday Morning. For a Child.

- 1 CALLED by the Sabbath bells away,
Unto thy holy temple, Lord,
I'll go, with willing mind, to pray,
To praise thy name, and hear thy word.
- 2 O sacred day of peace and joy,
Thy hours are ever dear to me;
Ne'er may a sinful thought destroy
The holy calm I find in thee.
- 3 Dear are thy peaceful hours to me,
For God has given them in his love,
To tell how calm, how blest shall be
The endless day of heaven above.

82. L. M. ANONYMOUS.

Sunday Evening. For a Child.

- 1 AGAIN we've seen the Sabbath day,
And heard of Jesus and of heaven;
We thank thee, Father, and we pray
That this day's sins may be forgiven.
- 2 May all we heard and understood
Be well remembered through the week,

And help to make us wise and good,
More humble, diligent, and meek.

83. C. M. ANONYMOUS.

The Orphan's Hymn.

- 1 WHERE shall the child of sorrow find
A place for calm repose ?
Thou Father of the fatherless,
Pity the orphan's woes !
- 2 What friend have I in heaven or earth,
What friend to trust but thee ?
My father's dead, my mother's dead ;
My God, remember me !
- 3 Thy gracious promise now fulfil,
And bid my trouble cease ;
In thee the fatherless shall find
Pure mercy, grace, and peace.
- 4 I've not a secret care or pain
But he that secret knows ;
Thou, Father of the fatherless,
Pity the orphan's woes.

84. L. M. WATTS.

Health, Sickness, and Recovery. — Ps. 30.

- 1 FIRM was my health, my day was bright,
And I presumed 't would ne'er be night ;
Fondly I said within my heart,
'Pleasure and peace shall ne'er depart.'
- 2 But I forgot thine arm was strong,
Which made my mountain stand so long ;
Soon as thy face began to hide,
My health was gone, my comforts died.
- 3 'Hear me, O God of grace,' I said,
'And bring me from among the dead ;'
Thy word rebuked the pains I felt,
Thy pardoning love removed my guilt.
- 4 My groans, and tears, and forms of wo,
Are turned to joy and praises now ;
I throw my sackcloth on the ground,
And ease and gladness gird me round.
- 5 My tongue, the glory of my frame,
Shall ne'er be silent of thy name ;

Thy praise shall sound through earth and heaven,
For sickness healed and sins forgiven.

85. C. M. WATTS.

A Psalm of Deliverance in Distress. — Ps 40.

- 1 I WAITED patient for the Lord ;
He bowed to hear my cry ;
He saw me resting on his word,
And brought salvation nigh.
- 2 Firm on a rock he made me stand,
And taught my cheerful tongue
To praise the wonders of his hand,
In a new thankful song.
- 5 How many are thy thoughts of love !
Thy mercies, Lord, how great !
We have not words, nor hours enough,
Their numbers to repeat.
- 4 When I'm afflicted, poor and low,
And light and peace depart,
My God beholds my heavy wo,
And bears me on his heart.

86. L. M. DODDRIDGE.

For a New Year.

- 1 God of my life, thy constant care
With blessings crowns each opening year ;
This guilty life dost thou prolong,
And wake anew mine annual song.
- 2 How many precious souls are fled
To the vast regions of the dead,
Since from this day the changing sun
Through his last yearly period run !
- 3 We yet survive ; but who can say,
Or through the year, or month, or day,
'I will retain this vital breath ;
Thus far at least in league with death ?'
- 4 That breath is thine, Eternal God ;
'Tis thine to fix my soul's abode ;
It holds its life from thee alone,
On earth, or in the world unknown.
- 5 To thee our spirits we resign ;
Make them and own them still as thine ;

So shall they smile, secure from fear,
Though death should blast the rising year.

- 6 Thy children, ready to be gone,
Bid time's impetuous tide roll on,
And land them on that blooming shore,
Where years and death are known no more.

87. L. M. H. M. WILLIAMS.

'Thou hast made Summer and Winter.'

- 1 My God, all nature owns thy sway ;
Thou givest the night, and thou the day ;
When all thy loved creation wakes,
When morning, rich in lustre, breaks,
And bathes in dew the opening flower,
To thee we owe her fragrant hour ;
And when she pours her choral song,
Her melodies to thee belong.
- 2 Or when, in purer tints arrayed,
The evening slowly spreads her shade,
That soothing shade, that grateful gloom,
Can, more than day's enlivening bloom,
Still every fond and vain desire,
And calmer, purer thoughts inspire,
From earth the pensive spirit free,
And lead the softened heart to thee.
- 3 As o'er thy works the seasons roll,
And soothe, with change of bliss, the soul,
O never may their smiling train
Pass o'er the human soul in vain !
But oft, as on their charms we gaze,
Attune the wondering soul to praise ;
And be the joys that most we prize,
The joys that from thy favour rise.

88. C. M. 6l. CONDER.

On the Sea Shore.

- 1 BEYOND, beyond that boundless sea,
Above that dome of sky,
Farther than thought itself can flee,
Thy dwelling is on high :
Yet, dear the awful thought to me,
That thou, my God, art nigh.
- 2 We hear thy voice, when thunders roll,
Through the wide fields of air ;

The waves obey thy dread control ;
 Yet still thou art not there.
 Where shall I find him, O my soul,
 Who yet is everywhere ?

3 O, not in circling depth, or height,
 But in the conscious breast,
 Present to faith, though veiled from sight,
 There does his spirit rest.
 O come, thou Presence Infinite,
 And make thy creature blest.

89. 10 & 6s M. S. G. GOODRICH.

Thoughts at Sea.

- 1 HERE is the boundless ocean, there the sky
 O'erarching broad and blue,
 Telling of God and heaven, how deep, how high,
 How glorious and how true !
- 2 Upon the wave there is an anthem sweet,
 Whispered in fear and love,
 Sending a solemn tribute to the feet
 Of Him who sits above.
- 3 God of the waters ! nature owns her king !
 The sea thy sceptre knows ;
 At thy command the tempest spreads its wing,
 Or folds it to repose.
- 4 And when the whirlwind hath gone rushing by,
 Obedient to thy will,
 What reverence sits upon the wave and sky,
 Humbled, subdued, and still !
- 5 O ! let my soul, like the submissive sea,
 With peace upon its breast,
 By the deep influence of thy spirit be
 Holy and hushed to rest ;
- 6 And as the golden sun lights up the morn,
 Bidding the storm depart,
 So may the Sun of Righteousness adorn,
 With love, my shadowed heart.

90. L. M. ANONYMOUS.

Hymn at Sea.

- 1 OH Thou, who bid'st these ocean-streams
 Their primal bounds and limits keep ;

- Who lay'st thy temple's starry beams
Unshaken on the mighty deep ;
- 2 Conduct us o'er the trackless waste
That spurns the print of human feet,
But where thy presence may be traced
In every wind and wave we meet !
- 3 And as the liquid plains we rove,
Should stormy winds resistless blow,
O save us from the flash above !
O spare us from the gulf below !
- 4 But teach us, — more than all the rest, —
To bow submissive to thy will,
In all thy tender mercies blest
In all thy judgments, patient still !
- 5 That when life's weary voyage is past,
By favouring gales or tempests driven,
Our steadfast barks may gain at last
Their wished for port — their port in heaven.

91. L. M. BOWRING.

Sleep.

- 1 REVIVING sleep ! thy sheltering wing
Is o'er the couch of labour spread ;
Sweet minister, unearthly thing,
That hovers round the tired one's head.
- 2 As calm and cold as mortal clay
When life is fled, earth soundly sleeps ;
When evening veils the eye of day,
And darkness rules the ocean deeps.
- 3 But, lighted 'neath heaven's temple arch,
Ten thousand stars are shining round,
And all on their imposing march,
Thy everlasting praise resound.
- 4 O then thy spirit, Lord, anew
Enkindles strength in sleeping men ;
It falls as falls the evening dew,
And life's sad waste repairs again.
- 5 Be nature's gentle slumbers mine ;
And lead me gently to the last ;
Until I hear thy voice divine,
'Awake ! for death's dark night is past.'

92. C. M. BP. HEBER.

A Vision of Jerusalem.

- 1 JERUSALEM, Jerusalem! enthroned once on high,
 Thou favoured home of God on earth, thou heaven below
 the sky,
 Now brought to bondage with thy sons, a curse and grief
 to see,
 Jerusalem, Jerusalem! our tears shall flow for thee.
- 2 Oh hadst thou known thy day of grace, and flocked beneath
 the wing
 Of him who called thee lovingly, thine own anointed King,
 Then had the tribes of all the world gone up thy pomp to
 see,
 And glory dwelt within thy gates, and all thy sons been
 free!
- 3 'And who art thou that mournest me?' replied the ruin
 gray,
 'And fearest not rather that thyself may prove a castaway?
 I am a dried and abject branch, my place is given to thee;
 But wo to every barren graft of thy wild olive tree!
- 4 'Our day of grace is sunk in night, our time of mercy
 spent,
 For heavy was my children's crime, and strange their punishment;
 Yet gaze not idly on our fall, but, sinner, warned be,
 Who spared not his chosen seed, may send his wrath on
 thee!
- 5 'Our day of grace is sunk in night, thy noon is in its prime;
 Oh turn and seek thy Saviour's face in this accepted time!
 So Gentile, may Jerusalem a lesson prove to thee,
 And in the new Jerusalem thy home for ever be!'

93. C. M. WESLEY.

Self Dedication.

- 1 LORD, in the strength of grace,
 With a glad heart and free,
 Myself, my residue of days,
 I consecrate to thee.
- 2 Thy ransomed servant I
 Restore to thee thine own;
 And from this moment live or die,
 To serve my God alone.

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